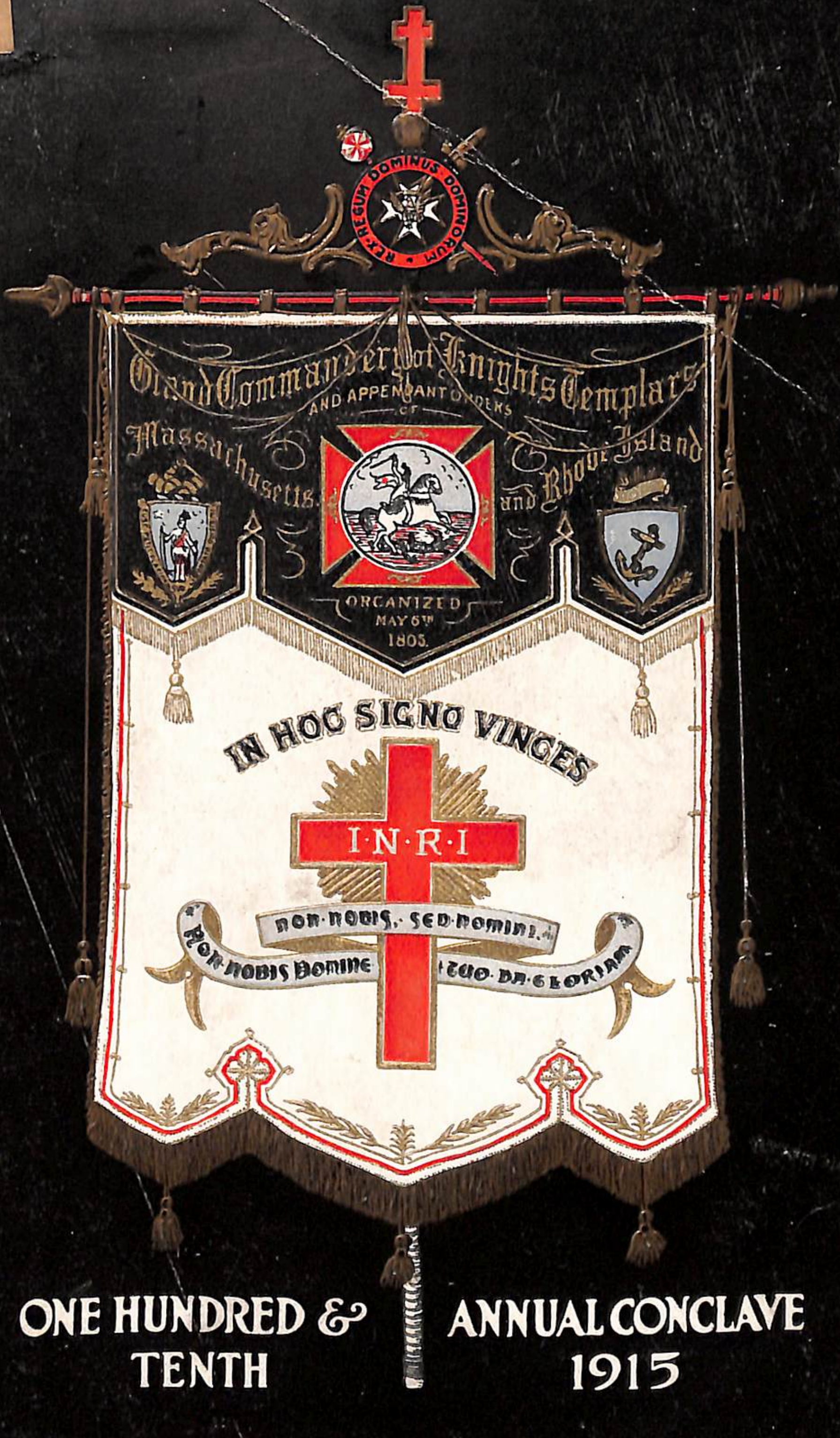
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OF THE

Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island

AT ITS

One Hundred and Ninth Semi-Annual Conclave

MAY 27, 1915

THE One Hundred and Ninth Semi-Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island was opened in Free Masons Hall, in the city of Providence, Rhode Island, on Thursday, May 27, A.D. 1915, A.O., 797, at eleven o'clock A.M.

GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT

R.·.E.·.Sir Walter F. Medding	Grand Commander
V.·.E.·.Sir Frederick I. Dana	Deputy Grand Commander
E.·.Sir William H. Emerson	Grand Captain-General
E.·.Sir William J. Bolton	Grand Senior Warden
E.·.Sir Everett C. Benton	Grand Junior Warden
E.·.Sir and Rev. R. Perry Bush	Grand Prelate
R.·.E.·.Sir E. Bentley Young	Grand Treasurer
E.·.Sir Benjamin W. Rowell P.O. Address, 206 Masonic Temple, Boston, Mass.	Grand Recorder
E.·.Sir Harry G. Pollard	Grand Standard Bearer
E.·.Sir Charles R. Hunt	Grand Sword Bearer
E.·.Sir Charles E. Prior	Grand Warder
E.·.Sir Henry C. Dexter	Grand Captain of the Guard
E.·.Sir James S. Blake	Grand Lecturers
E.·.Sir Lewis M. Woodbridge	
E.·.Sir Asa C. Jewett	
E.·.Sir Clarence M. Dunbar	
E.·.Sir Olin D. Dickerman	
E.·.Sir William E. Wilcox	Grand Sentinel

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS PRESENT

R.·.E.·.Sir Freeman C. Hersey.
R.·.E.·.Sir E. Bentley Young.
R.·.E.·.Sir Walter W. Burnham.
R.·.E.·.Sir Charles I. Litchfield.

The Grand Recorder reported that a constitutional number of Subordinates were represented by Sir Knights of Subordinate Commanderies, whereupon the R∴E∴Grand Commander proceeded to open the Grand Commandery in ample form, assisted by the other Grand officers and members present, the Sir Knights being led in their devotions by Em∴Sir R. Perry Bush, Grand Prelate, after which the R∴E∴Grand Commander declared the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island duly opened and ready for the despatch of business.

RECORDS OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH ANNUAL CONCLAVE

On motion the reading of the records of the Annual Conclave of 1914 was dispensed with, they having been printed and distributed, and they were approved as printed.

RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

The Grand Warder having been instructed to retire and ascertain if there were in waiting any distinguished visitors, presently re-entered the anteroom and reported that there was in waiting in an adjoining apartment V∴E∴Sir Henry R. Freeman, Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment of the United States, and Inspecting Officer for this Jurisdiction, and that he was accompanied by R∴E∴Sir Clayton J. Farrington, Past Grand Commander of Maine.

Thereupon the Right Eminent Grand Commander appointed all the Past Grand Commanders present, with the Grand Senior and Grand Junior Wardens as an escort, under the direction of the V∴E∴Deputy Grand Commander Frederick I. Dana as chairman of the committee. The committee having retired presently returned and presented V∴E∴Sir Henry R. Freeman, who was most cordially and graciously welcomed by the Right Eminent Grand Commander, whereupon he was conducted into the east and the business of the conclave proceeded with.

ADDRESS OF R∴E∴GRAND COMMANDER
R∴E∴SIR WALTER F. MEDDING

The Grand Commander of Knights Templars
and the Appending Orders of
Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Providence, R. I., Thursday, May 27, 1915.

Sir Knights:

It is my great privilege to bid you a cordial and hearty welcome to this One Hundred and Ninth Semi-Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and invite you to review with me the events of the past six months.

As in the past, we have abundant cause to be thankful to the great Captain of our salvation for His manifold blessings so richly bestowed upon us as individual Sir Knights and as an Order bound together by ties of Christian brotherhood.

Let us trust that He will guide us in our deliberations today, and vouchsafe to us His protecting care in the years to come.

Harmony prevails among the Commanderies throughout the jurisdiction, and prosperity has attended our efforts to a marked degree.

Naturally the unfortunate conditions existing over the seas have had more or less effect upon the business of our country, and in common with all others we have felt the depression in our Order. Nevertheless we should rejoice that as a nation we are at peace, and as Knights Templars we should labor for the upbuilding of that Order whose great Captain is the Prince of Peace, and strive for that day when "swords shall be beaten into plowshares, and spears into pruning hooks: when nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."

NECROLOGY

While we are happy in our present prosperity, let us not forget those who have been called to the asylum above; those who have borne the burdens of our beloved Order in the past and have made it possible for us to enjoy the happy conditions which exist today, the results of their toil and the fruits of their labors.

GRAND ENCAMPMENT KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, U. S. A.

OFFICE OF THE MOST EMINENT ACTING GRAND MASTER.

PITTSBURGH, PA., January 11, 1915.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, and to all Sir Knights of our Obedience:

It becomes my sad duty to announce the death of

MOST EMINENT SIR WARREN LaRUE THOMAS,

Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, which occurred at his home in the city of Tucson, Arizona, on November 23, 1914. He was born at Elizabethtown, Kentucky, on January 25, 1845, and at the time of his death was sixty-nine years, nine months, and twenty-eight days old, and had nearly reached the allotted threescore and ten years.

Our lamented Past Grand Master was a man of splendid character and of sterling qualities. He was a man of strong and pleasing personality, was broad minded, affable, courteous, and kind. While he had strong convictions and the courage and tenacity of purpose to maintain them, he was ever ready to listen to the opinions of others and weigh them carefully and unselfishly. His conduct in life was dictated by the highest and most worthy motives. He was a companionable and lovable man and his fund of good humor and cheery voice ever made his presence felt.

At the Denver Triennial it was evident that disease had fastened itself upon his manly form, and there were many who feared that his wonderful vigor would not be able to dislodge it. There was, however, no word of complaint from him nor show of weakening spirit, and his farewells were said with the assurance of another meeting. There will be another meeting, but now God alone knows when.

He leaves a widow to mourn his death, and the sympathies of all Knights Templar go out to her in her bereavement. The Masonic record of our beloved Past Grand Master is one which has been equaled by few, and, omitting offices held by appointment, is as follows:

He was initiated June 3, passed August 5, and raised September 2, 1867, in Hopkinsville Lodge, No. 37, Hopkinsville, Kentucky. He afterwards dimitted and became a member of Franklin Lodge, No. 28, Danville, Kentucky, and served as Master five years.

Was exalted to the Sublime Degree of Royal Arch Mason in Oriental Chapter, No. 14, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, November 14, 1867, afterwards affiliating with Franklin Chapter, No. 22, Danville, Kentucky, serving as King six years and as High Priest two years.

Was made a Royal and Select Master in Washington Council, No. 1, Lexington, Kentucky, in 1871, later becoming a member of Danville Council, No. 48, and serving as Thrice Illustrious Master one year.

October 16, 1872, he was dubbed and created a Knight Templar in DeMolay Commandery, No. 12, Knights Templar, Louisville, Kentucky, dimitting to become a charter member of Ryan Commandery, No. 17, Danville, Kentucky, he being appointed the first Captain-General. He served his Commandery six years as Recorder, two years as Generalissimo, and two years as Eminent Commander.

Was made a Perfect Elu, 14°, October 16, 1877, in Union Lodge of Perfection No. 1, Louisville, Kentucky; a Knight Rose Croix, 18°, October 17, 1877, in Pelican Chapter, No. 1, Louisville, Kentucky; a Knight Kadosh, 30°, in Kilwinning Council, No. 1, Louisville, Kentucky, and a Master of the

Royal Secret, 32°, in the Grand Consistory of Kentucky, October 17, 1877; elected Knight Commander of the Court of Honor, October 20, 1886, and coroneted Honorary Inspector-General, January 23, 1889.

Was elected Grand Junior Warden in the Grand Lodge F. & A. M. of Kentucky, October 17, 1877, and regularly advanced, being elected Most Worshipful Grand Master, October 20, 1880.

In the Grand Chapter, R. A. M., of Kentucky, he was elected Royal Arch Captain, October 18, 1875, and advanced each year until October 20, 1880, when he was elected Most Excellent Grand High Priest.

Was elected Grand Captain of the Guard in the Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of Kentucky, October 21, 1874, and regularly advanced, being elected Thrice Illustrious Grand Master, October 17, 1877.

In the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Kentucky, he was elected Grand Senior Warden, July 9, 1874, Grand Generalissimo, May 13, 1875, and May 11, 1876, Deputy Grand Commander, May 10, 1877, and Right Eminent Grand Commander, May 9, 1878.

In the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar, United States of America, he was elected:

V.·.E.·.Grand Junior Warden, at Chicago, Ill., August 19, 1880.
V.·.E.·.Grand Senior Warden, at San Francisco, Cal., August 23, 1883.
V.·.E.·.Grand Captain-General, at St. Louis, Mo., September 23, 1886.
V.·.E.·.Grand Generalissimo, at Washington, D. C., October 10, 1889.
R.·.E.·.Deputy Grand Master, at Denver, Colo., August 11, 1892; and
M.·.E.·.Grand Master, at Boston, Mass., August 29, 1895.

His funeral took place at Danville, Kentucky, on Monday, November 30, 1914, both the Grand Lodge and the Grand Commandery participating in the ceremonies. The Grand Encampment was represented on this solemn occasion by the Right Eminent Deputy Grand Master and the Very Eminent Grand Recorder. And now

"Brother, Companion, Sir Knight, Friend,
Thy pilgrimage is at an end;
For thee life's stream no longer flows;
The end was rest and sweet repose."

It is herewith ordered that this memorial be read at the next regular conclave of each Grand Commandery after its receipt, and also at the next regular conclave of each Subordinate Commandery directly allegiant to the Grand Encampment, and that the standard of the Order be suitably draped for a period of sixty days.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, this eleventh day of January, A.D. 1915, A.O. 797.

LEE S. SMITH,
Acting Grand Master.

ATTEST:
FRANK H. JOHNSON,
Grand Recorder.

GRAND ENCAMPMENT KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, U. S. A.

OFFICE OF THE MOST EMINENT ACTING GRAND MASTER

PITTSBURGH, PA., January 15, 1915.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, and to all Sir Knights of our Obedience:

It is in the most profound sorrow, and with a keen sense of personal loss, that I announce to you officially the death of

MOST EMINENT SIR ARTHUR MACARTHUR,
Grand Master,

who died suddenly at his home in Troy, New York, about noon, on Sunday, December 27, 1914.

He was of strong and robust constitution, in the full vigor of well-preserved manhood, the very picture of health, and the news of his death came as a crash from a clear sky. He prepared to attend church with his daughter, but feeling slightly indisposed concluded to remain at home because of the severity of the weather. The daughter went, and while she listened to their beloved pastor preaching of Christ and Him crucified, her father, our beloved Grand Master, a Christian and a Christian Knight, with firm reliance upon our crucified and ascended Saviour, in the quietude of his home, and rich in worldly honors, fell into that dreamless sleep from which none ever wake this side the realm of our Blessed Immanuel.

His death comes as a distinct shock to all who knew him, especially to that great army of Christian Knights of which he was the head. Our leader has fallen full knightly with his armor on, but our lines must not be broken. He has solved the great mystery of life and death, and awaits us on the farther shore, but he has left with us the sweet influence of an upright life and noble character, and this should inspire us to press forward in the cause of Christian knighthood, which he so well espoused, and follow its teachings, which he so well exemplified. He had a splendid personality which commanded the admiration and respect of all men with whom he came in contact. He was keen of intellect, a modest, manly man, of strong determination, but with warm and gentle heart.

He was prominent in the business, social, and political affairs of his home city as well as in Freemasonry, and discharged the duties of every position in life to which he was called, fearlessly, faithfully, and well. In society he was ever gracious and polite and never forgot that he was a gentleman. To the grief-stricken daughter and son who survive him we tender our sincere condolence and sympathy in these days of sorrow.

The Masonic record of our lamented Grand Master is, in brief, as follows:

He was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in Mount Zion Lodge, No. 311, of Troy, New York, on November 23, 1872, and became Worshipful Master of the Lodge in 1883, serving one year. He was exalted in Apollo Chapter, No. 48, Royal Arch Masons, of Troy, on February 18, 1874, and became High Priest of the Chapter in 1883, serving one year. He became a member of Bloss Council, No. 14, Royal and Select Masters, of Troy, on March 5, 1880, and was elected Thrice Illustrious Master in 1891, serving one year. He was created a Knight Templar in Apollo Commandery, No. 15, of Troy, January 9, 1880, and became Eminent Commander of the Commandery in 1887, serving two years. In the Grand Lodge of New York he was appointed District Deputy Grand Master of the Twelfth Masonic District in 1883; a member of the Advisory Committee of the Trustees of the Masonic Hall and Asylum Committee in 1890, and a Trustee of the Masonic Hall and Asylum Fund in 1910, becoming Vice-President of the Board. This position he resigned one year ago and was then made a permanent member of the Grand Lodge.

In the Grand Commandery of New York, he was elected Grand Junior Warden in 1892, Grand Senior Warden in 1893, Grand Captain-General in 1894, Grand Generalissimo in 1895, Deputy Grand Commander in 1896, and Right Eminent Grand Commander in 1897, holding this office two years. In the year 1900, there being a vacancy in the office of Grand Recorder, he was chosen to fill that important position and served as such during the years 1901, 1902, and 1903.

In the Grand Encampment he was appointed Grand Sword Bearer, at Pittsburgh, on October 14, 1898, and Grand Standard Bearer, at Louisville, on August 19, 1901. He was elected Grand Senior Warden at San Francisco, on September 8, 1904; Grand Generalissimo, at Saratoga, on July 11, 1907; Deputy Grand Master, at Chicago, on August 11, 1910, and Grand Master, at Denver, on August 14, 1913.

In the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite our lamented Grand Master was very prominent. He had presided over Delta Council of Princes of Jerusalem and Delta Chapter of Rose Croix, of the city of Troy, and Albany Sovereign Consistory, of the city of Albany. He was crowned honorary member of the Supreme Council for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction on September 16, 1890, and was made an active member of the Supreme Council on September 20, 1905, and at the time of his death was chairman of the Committee on Deceased Members and of a Special Committee on Charitable Foundation, in the Supreme Council.

The funeral ceremonies took place at the First Presbyterian Church, of which the deceased was a member. The church service was in charge of Rev. Dr. Higley, whose eulogy was a masterly one. Following the church service the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar of the United States of America, performed its last rites for the dead. This was in charge of Most Eminent Sir William B. Melish, of Ohio, Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, and Very Eminent Sir Henry R. Freeman, Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment, assisted by Most Eminent Sir Philip D. Gordon, Supreme Grand Master of the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada.

After completing the ritualistic service, Most Eminent Sir Melish paid an eloquent tribute to the deceased, in which he referred to his many excellent qualities of mind and heart, and told of the great loyalty which he had always displayed for the cause of Freemasonry. Following this came the Scottish Rite service, which was in charge of Illustrious Charles H. Armatage, Past Commander-in-Chief of Albany Consistory, assisted by Illustrious William Homan, of New York, active member of the Supreme Council, and a number of honorary members of the Supreme Council. And then, having paid him all the honor possible, the body of our Grand Master was tenderly laid in its final resting place in Oakwood Cemetery.

It is hereby ordered that this memorial be read at the next regular conclave of each Grand Commandery after its receipt, and also at the next regular conclave of each Subordinate directly allegiant to the Grand Encampment, and that the standards of the Order be suitably draped for a period of sixty days.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, this fifteenth day of January, A.D. 1915, A.O. 797.

LEE S. SMITH,
Acting Grand Master.

ATTEST:
FRANK H. JOHNSON,
Grand Recorder.

Your Grand Commander, accompanied by Right Eminent Sir Frank L. Nagle, Past Grand Commander Eminent Sir Chas. R. Hunt, Grand Sword Bearer, and Eminent Sir Asa C. Jewett, Grand Lecturer, attended the funeral ceremonies, which were held in his home city on Wednesday, December 30, and thereby tried to show in a small degree the respect and esteem in which our beloved Grand Master was held by this Grand Commandery to which he had so many times proved himself a true and loyal friend. He was a frequent attendant at our conclaves and his genial presence will be greatly missed.

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLARS
and the
APPENDANT ORDERS OF MASSACHUSETS AND RHODE ISLAND

OFFICE OF THE GRAND COMMANDER,
206 Ferry Street, MALDEN, MASS., May 22, 1915.

In Memoriam

NELSON WILMARTH ALDRICH

Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, died in New York City, Friday, April 16, 1915.

It is with sorrow that I announce to you the death of our Senior Past Grand Commander, Right Eminent Sir Nelson Wilmarth Aldrich.

He was born in Foster, Rhode Island, November 6, 1841. His early education was received at the public schools of that town, and later he pursued a brief course of study at the academy in Greenwich, Rhode Island.

His business life began as a mill boy in a small factory in his home town, where his superior intelligence soon attracted the attention of the proprietor of the village store, who, because of his interest in the young man, furnished books and encouraged him to pursue his studies further, and finally secured for him a clerkship in a store in Providence.

At the outbreak of the civil war Mr. Aldrich was employed as a bookkeeper by a large firm of wholesale grocers. Resigning this position, he enlisted in the Tenth Rhode Island Volunteers, and at the expiration of his term of service re-entered their employ, and three years later became a partner, which interest he held for several years, even after his election to the Congress of the United States.

His political career was a remarkable one. He was a member of the Common Council of the city of Providence from 1869 to 1873, serving that body a part of that time as president. He represented the city of Providence in the General Assembly for three years, two of which he was Speaker of the House.

He was elected Representative to the Congress of the United States in 1879, and served as a member of that body until October, 1881, when he resigned to accept election as United States Senator. As Senator he gained a wide reputation and was for many years considered a leading factor in our national politics. He served in this office until March, 1911, when he declined further election.

The Masonic record of Right Eminent Sir Aldrich was a long and honorable one. He received the symbolic degrees in What Cheer Lodge, of Providence, Rhode Island, in 1866, and served that body as Worshipful Master in 1879–80. He held the office of Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island in 1877 and 1878, and at the time of his death he had been Representative of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia near the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island for twenty-eight years.

He received the capitular degrees in Providence R. A. Chapter in 1866, and the cryptic degrees in Providence Council, R. & S. M., in 1867. He was knighted in Calvary Commandery No. 13, K. T., of Providence, Rhode Island, on May 7, 1867, and was installed as the tenth Commander of that body in December, 1870, serving one year. In the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island he was elected Grand Commander in 1879, and at the time of his death was the Senior Past Grand Commander as well as the Senior Past Commander of Calvary Commandery.

He received the thirty-second degree, A. & A. S. R., in 1870, and was a member of Rhode Island Consistory, S. P. R. S.

In social life he was a member of the Art Club, Hope Club, Squantum Association, all of Providence, Rhode Island; the Union League Club of New York City; the Metropolitan and other clubs of Washington, District of Columbia.

He is survived by a widow, five sons, and three daughters: Edward B. Aldrich, of New York; Stuart M. Aldrich, of Providence; William T. Aldrich, of Boston; Richard S. Aldrich, of Warwick; Winthrop Aldrich, of New York; Miss Lucy F. Aldrich, of Warwick Neck; Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., of New York, and Mrs. Stephen M. Edgell, of Denver, Colorado; also a brother, Clarence A. Aldrich, of Providence.

The funeral services were held at Providence on Sunday, April 18th, and were largely attended by men from the highest stations in life in city, State, and nation, Masonic, legislative, financial, and mercantile, and amid the beautiful flowers, the silent testimony of the love and regard for our departed frater, all that was mortal of Right Eminent Sir Nelson W. Aldrich was reverently committed to its last resting place.

"No more to him comes hope nor fear;
God called his name, he answered, 'Here';
With folded arms upon his breast
He lies asleep in sweet, eternal rest."

It is hereby ordered that this memorial be read at the head of each Commandery in this Grand Jurisdiction at the first conclave after its receipt, spread in full upon its records, and that the banners and jewels of the Order be draped in mourning for a period of sixty days.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Grand Commandery this twenty-second day of May, A.D. 1915, A.O. 797.

WALTER F. MEDDING,
Grand Commander.

ATTEST:
B. W. ROWELL,
Grand Recorder.

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLARS
and the
APPENDANT ORDERS OF MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

OFFICE OF THE GRAND COMMANDER,
206 Ferry Street, MALDEN, MASS.

In Memoriam

CHARLES CARROLL HUTCHINSON

Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

After a period of suffering, beginning with a severe attack of heart disease in November, 1908, and continuing for six and a half years, Past Right Eminent Grand Commander Charles Carroll Hutchinson died at his home in Lowell, Massachusetts, Thursday, April 29, 1915, aged eighty-two years, ten months, and twenty days. His approaching end became apparent on the Friday preceding, when his illness assumed a more acute form, and from that day his vitality steadily declined until the end, when he peacefully and calmly passed to the spirit land, and found that which he had ever sought—"more light."

The subject of this memorial, the only son of Samuel Knox and Susan (Warren) Hutchinson, was born in Andover, Massachusetts, June 9, 1832. Although by reason of his vocation he had lived in New York City, Brighton, and Holyoke, Massachusetts, since 1870 he had resided in Lowell, the home of his boyhood. On November 30th of that year he was elected treasurer of the Mechanics Savings Bank, which position he held for more than forty years. At the time of his death he was president of the Traders and Mechanics Insurance Co., vice-president of the Mechanics Savings Bank, and a director in the Lowell Gas Light Co.

Brother Hutchinson's Masonic record is a long and honorable one. While it is impossible to measure in words its value and importance to the society and to the world, it is within the bounds of truth to state, that during the sixty years of his service he devoted fully one half of them to the welfare and advancement of the Order.

He was made a Master Mason in Ancient York Lodge of Lowell in 1854, being raised to that sublime degree on the evening of December 6th. At this time he was six months past the age of twenty-two years. Without suggestion he doubtless was influenced in this desire by his father, who had entered Pentucket Lodge nearly thirty years before. He was elected Master of his Lodge October 28, 1857, at the age of twenty-five years, and on December 10, 1867, he was elected an honorary member. It was most fitting that Brother Hutchinson's last work was performed in his own Lodge. By invitation of the Worshipful Master the Past Masters of Ancient York Lodge exemplified the work of the second degree, in Pollard Hall, Lowell, Massachusetts, Thursday evening, June 12, 1913. Brother Hutchinson, then just past his eighty-first birthday, assumed the Master's part. It is unnecessary to state that his work was rendered with the same precision and accuracy that characterized all his earlier efforts. February 12, 1897, he was made an honorary member of Kilwinning Lodge of Lowell, and later he was accorded the same honor by Pentucket Lodge of Lowell, Charles A. Welch Lodge of Maynard, Eliot Lodge and Lafayette Lodge of Boston. His active connection with the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts dates from December 12, 1890, when he was elected a director, and December 9, 1896, he was unanimously chosen Grand Master, serving the usual term of three years.

Between the years 1858 and 1860 he received the Scottish Rite degrees at Lowell, and later served as Master of Lowell Lodge of Perfection and Mt. Calvary Chapter of Rose Croix, the former twelve years and the latter seven years. In the Grand Bodies of this Rite his record is as follows: August 19, 1875, he received the thirty-third degree at Portland, Maine, and was made an honorary member of the Supreme Council; September 16, 1896, he was crowned an active member at Pittsburg, Pennsylvania; September 19, 1900, he was elected

Deputy for the Supreme Council of Massachusetts and Commander-in-Chief of Massachusetts Council of Deliberation. September 20, 1909, owing to illness, he resigned his active membership in the Supreme Council, and was elected member emeritus.

Brother Hutchinson was an honorary member of the following Scottish Rite Bodies, viz.: Massachusetts Consistory, A.A.S.R., Merrimack Valley Lodge of Perfection, Mt. Olivet Chapter of Rose Croix, Giles F. Yates Council, and Boston Lafayette Lodge of Perfection. Brother Hutchinson's Templar affiliations began with his reception into Pilgrim Commandery, No. 9, when on the 15th of February, 1856, he received the Order of the Red Cross and the Order of the Temple, and the Order of Malta March 26th, and was elected a member September 17th. Between October 15th of that year and October 20, 1875, he served as Recorder, Generalissimo, and Commander of his Commandery. May 18, 1887, he was elected an honorary member of Burlington Commandery, Vermont. December 20, 1899, Pilgrim Commandery of Lowell conferred the same honor, and February 7, 1903, St. Bernard Commandery of Boston accorded him a like distinction. In the Grand Commandery R.·.E.·.Sir Knight Hutchinson held the following offices: Grand Senior Warden, 1879; Grand Captain-General, 1880 and 1881; Deputy Grand Commander, 1882 and 1883; and Grand Commander in 1884.

While not possessing the martial instinct in marked degree, Brother Hutchinson exhibited those characteristics of courtesy, urbanity, and probity which marked the true Templar. The elements of order, method, and system were a heritage which he applied in all that he undertook. His resonant and well-modulated voice and his strong personality gave to our beautiful Templar ritual an atmosphere and a meaning that was often new and always impressive and inspiring. Living to the ripe age of more than fourscore years, his mentality remained clear and unimpaired to the end. During his last days thoughts of his beloved Order often found expression in repeating portions of our beautiful ritual. With a faith that never wavered he trod the pathway of life unfalteringly and finally entered the spiritual realm, there to join the Templar host whose pilgrimage on earth is ended, and with them enjoy the happy reflection of a well-spent life in the presence of their Eternal Leader.

As a tribute of our love and respect let this memorial be read at the head of each Commandery of this jurisdiction at the first stated conclave after it shall have been received, and the banner and jewels of our Order be draped in mourning for a period of sixty days.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island this tenth day of May, A.O. 797, A.D. 1915.

WALTER F. MEDDING,
Grand Commander.

ATTEST:
B. W. ROWELL,
Grand Recorder.

Eminent Sir ANDREW J. WILSON, Past Commander of Winslow Lewis Commandery, died at Salem, Massachusetts, June 12, 1914. He was raised in Essex Lodge of Salem November 5, 1889, and was its Worshipful Master in 1895–96. Exalted in Washington R. A. Chapter, December 2, 1891. Admitted to Salem Council R. & S. M., February 26, 1896. Knighted in Winslow Lewis Commandery March 21, 1895, and served as Eminent Commander in 1904 and 1905.

He received the ineffable degrees in Sutton Lodge of Perfection, March 27, 1896, and was its Treasurer from 1901 to 1914.

Eminent Sir JAMES H. WAITE, Past Commander of Athol Commandery, and a member of Beauseant Commandery, passed away at his home, 105 Beltran Street, Malden, December 1, 1914. Funeral services were held on Friday afternoon, December 4th, and the body was taken to Orange, Massachusetts, for burial on Saturday.

Eminent Sir Waite was born in Providence, Rhode Island, July 1, 1832. At an early age he removed to the western part of Massachusetts and was educated in the schools of Athol and Orange, Massachusetts. He was one of the founders of the Rodney Hunt Machine Company and was a very successful business man. He retired from the company about twenty years ago. He served the town of Orange as selectman for a number of years and helped organize the national bank in that town. He was cashier of the Orange National Bank for a number of years and also treasurer of the Savings Bank. He is survived by one son and one daughter.

Eminent Sir Waite received the degree of Master Mason in Orange Lodge, Orange, Massachusetts, December 12, 1864, and was Worshipful Master from November, 1882, to November, 1883. He was a charter member of Converse Lodge of Malden. He was exalted in Franklin Chapter, Greenfield, Massachusetts, May 19, 1865, and dimitted to become a charter member of Union Chapter of Athol. He served as High Priest of Union Chapter from November, 1877, to November, 1878.

He received the Orders of Knighthood in Athol Commandery while under dispensation and served the Commandery as Captain-General and Generalissimo, and was elected Eminent Commander in 1877 and served three years. He was an honorary member of Athol Commandery. He affiliated with Beauseant Commandery September 28, 1887.

He was a member of Melrose Council of Royal and Select Masters and also of all the Scottish Rite bodies.

Eminent Sir THOMAS W. DAVIS, Past Commander of St. Bernard Commandery, died at his home in Waverley, Massachusetts, Monday, December 28, 1914.

He was one of the most prominent citizens of the town in which he resided, and as Recording Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Masons of Massachusetts he was known far and wide in the fraternity in this and other jurisdictions. Aside from his position in the Grand Lodge he was a member of all the other bodies of both the York and Scottish Rites, having been crowned with the thirty-third degree rank in the Scottish Rite September 17, 1907.

As Recording Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge Mr. Davis had occasion to travel widely in this jurisdiction, accompanying the Grand Master on most of his official visitations, and often representing the Grand Master. He was a man who had a sociable nature and who made a host of friends. The office he held was in many respects of an executive character, and he was always willing to aid the members of the craft in matters pertaining to the Subordinate Lodges and their relations with Grand Lodge. In connection with Masonry one of his greatest interests was the Masonic Home, and he was chairman of the committee of the Grand Lodge that established the Home in Charlton.

Mr. Davis was acknowledged to be one of the best Masonic students in the Commonwealth at the time of his death.

Thomas White Davis was born in Michigan City, Indiana, November 1, 1844, but came of an old Central Massachusetts family. His father was Rev. Elnathan Davis, of Holden, Massachusetts, and his mother was Mary A. (White) Davis, also of Holden. A great-grandfather was Capt. James Davis, of Holden, and a great-grandmother was Mrs. Joseph Avery, of Holden, a niece of Samuel Adams.

In 1870 Mr. Davis came to Belmont as principal of the high school. He held that place for a year and then entered the Cambridge schools, being master of the Putnam and Harvard Schools in that city from 1871 until 1908, in which year he was elected Recording Grand Secretary of Grand Lodge. He was a trustee of the Belmont Public Library from 1877 to 1895, was a selectman from 1895 to 1907, and was an assessor from 1883 until the present, being chairman of the present board. He was also a trustee of the Massachusetts School for Feeble-minded, president of the Waverley Co-operative Bank, and clerk and trustee of the Belmont Savings Bank.

Mr. Davis's Masonic career began the year after he was graduated from college. He was raised in Charles W. Moore Lodge, of Fitchburg, April 2, 1867, and became Master of that Lodge in 1871, serving until 1873. In 1877 he joined Belmont Lodge and served as its Secretary. In 1875 he became Junior Grand Steward of Grand Lodge and rose steadily through the grades of Junior

Grand Deacon, District Deputy Grand Master, and Junior Grand Warden, which last named office he held in 1883. He also served the Grand Lodge on the Committee on By-laws, and as a trial commissioner. He was an honorary member of Charles W. Moore, Belmont, and Friendship Lodges, the last named being located in Wilmington.

He joined Thomas Royal Arch Chapter, of Fitchburg, and had held subordinate offices in that and in Waltham Chapter. He was a member of Adoniram Council, of Waltham, and of Cambridge Council, of Cambridge, being Past Master of Cambridge Council. He entered Templar Masonry in 1871, when he joined Jerusalem Commandery, of Fitchburg. Shortly thereafter he affiliated with St. Bernard Commandery, of Boston, of which he was Eminent Commander in 1890 and 1891. He was Recorder from 1885 to 1888 and from 1901 to 1911. He was a member of the Massachusetts and Rhode Island Association of Knights Templars Commanders. In the Scottish Rite he was a member of Boston Lafayette Lodge of Perfection, Giles F. Yates Council of Princes of Jerusalem, Mount Olivet Chapter of Rose Croix, and Massachusetts Consistory, attaining the thirty-third degree rank.

About two years ago Mr. Davis accompanied the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge on a visit to the Panama Canal Zone and assisted in the constitution of Sojourners Lodge, at Christobal, and paid an official visit to Canal Zone Lodge, at Ancon, both of which are under Massachusetts jurisdiction.

On July 22, 1872, Mr. Davis married Amelia F. Sylvester, daughter of John Sylvester, formerly of Hanover, Massachusetts. He is survived by his wife and two children, Ralph S. Davis, Harvard, '98, and Miss Etta L. Davis, Bryn Mawr, '99, both of Belmont.

Eminent Sir MOODY BRICKETT NOYES, Past Commander of Newburyport Commandery, was born October 18, 1876. Died January 1, 1915. His Masonic record is as follows:

He was raised in St. John's Lodge, of Newburyport, December 7, 1900, and served as Worshipful Master in 1910.

He was exalted in King Cyrus Chapter, of Newburyport, May 8, 1901.

He was admitted to Amesbury Council, of Amesbury, September 23, 1912.

He was knighted in Newburyport Commandery, of Newburyport, July 2, 1901, and was its Eminent Commander in 1910.

Eminent Sir SULLIVAN W. HUNTLEY, Past Commander of Jerusalem Commandery, of Fitchburg, Massachusetts. Died March 4, 1915.

He was born at Marlow, New Hampshire, September 30, 1837, the son of Rufus and Edna (Gee) Huntley. He removed to Fitchburg with his parents in 1847. He attended the Fitchburg schools and later graduated from the Green Mountain Liberal Institution, at South Woodstock, Vermont.

Eminent Sir Huntley entered the employ of the Fitchburg Railroad as clerk in the local freight office, being later promoted to ticket agent. He accepted a position as assistant treasurer of the Boston, Clinton & Fitchburg Railroad, on February 16, 1871.

Three years later he became treasurer of that road and held the position until its acquirement by the Old Colony Railroad, in February, 1879.

Eminent Sir Huntley then entered the employ of the J. Cushing Company, and remained there about a year, and upon the formation of the Boston & Azorian Steamship Company became a purser and made three trips to the Azores.

He next gave his time for several years to the importing business, until 1888, when he accepted the position as Fitchburg agent for the Old Colony Railroad, continuing in that capacity for about six years.

He had been active and prominent in many other ways during his long residence in Fitchburg, having been prominent in a social way, interested and active in the First Parish (Unitarian) Church during the greater part of his life. He was also employed as an assistant assessor and was the first clerk of the Fitchburg Common Council. He had always been an active and ardent Republican in politics, but had never sought or accepted any honors from the party, preferring to make his effective work in its interests count in furthering the candidacies of other people.

Eminent Sir Huntley is survived by two sons, Henry W. and Fred S. Huntley.

His Masonic record is as follows:

He was raised in Aurora Lodge, of Fitchburg, June 22, 1863, exalted in Thomas Chapter, of Fitchburg, September 17, 1864, knighted in Jerusalem Commandery, of Fitchburg, August 17, 1865, and elected an honorary member October 16, 1913.

He was the oldest living Past Commander at the time of his death.

Eminent Sir Henry Jones, Past Commander of Northampton Commandery, was born at Windham, Vermont, June 17, 1835. Died in Northampton February 8, 1915.

He was the son of Jason and Laura Woodcum Jones. When a young man, after finishing his education in his native town, he went to Boston, where he studied music with L. W. Wheeler and Wealthy Adams, who at that time were leading music teachers of Boston. At the completion of his studies he soon after came to Northampton, and became supervisor of music in the public schools in 1867, and continued to teach in the schools until 1900, when he retired. He was regarded as a music teacher of more than ordinary accomplishment, and he was in great demand as a singer in church choirs in Protestant as well as in Catholic churches. He was a leading member of the old Northampton vocal club. He was greatly devoted to his profession, and as teacher of music in the schools had a faculty of interesting scholars in their musical school work. He was thorough in his instruction and gained the good will of the scholars, for he always manifested an interest in them.

He was a man who commanded attention, possessing dignity, and fluency in the use of language. He was universally respected.

Eminent Sir Jones was married in 1862 to Miss Angie Barrett, of Windham. She died in 1899. Five children were born to them, four of whom died when young. The only surviving one is a daughter, Miss Laura S. Jones, the well-known violinist and teacher.

His Masonic record is as follows:

He was raised in Mount Lebanon Lodge, of Jamaica, Vermont, from which he dimitted and became a member of Jerusalem Lodge of Northampton, December 22, 1868, and served as Worshipful Master in 1885 and 1886.

He was exalted in Northampton Chapter, of Northampton, November 3, 1875, and was its High Priest from 1878 to 1882, being elected an honorary member February 1, 1893.

He was knighted in Northampton Commandery of Northampton, June 19, 1876, serving as Eminent Commander in 1886 and 1887, and was elected an honorary member February 8, 1907.

Eminent Sir John Franklin Newton. Born in Roxbury, January 15, 1829.

He was initiated in Washington Lodge June 5, 1857. Crafted July 2, 1857. Raised October 1, 1857. He filled the office of Secretary of Washington Lodge for the years 1860–61–63–64–65. He was elected Senior Warden for 1866–67 and was elected Worshipful Master 1868–69–70.

He was a charter member of Mount Vernon R. A. Chapter, and was the last survivor of the thirteen charter members of that body. He acted as Secretary for the Chapter from the organization, March 7, 1865, to the date of the first annual convocation, October 5, 1865.

He was a charter member of Roxbury Council of Royal and Select Masters, from which he dimitted January 22, 1878, but reaffiliated May 28, 1883.

He was proposed for the Templar Orders in Boston Commandery, March 21, 1860, and elected May 9, 1860. He received the Order of the Red Cross, May 9, 1860; Order of the Temple, May 24, 1860; Order of Malta, May 30, 1860, and was proposed for membership September 19, 1860.

He was a charter member of Joseph Warren Commandery, signing the by-laws under date of November 1, 1869, and was the last living member of that number.

He was elected Junior Warden, 1869–70; Captain-General, 1871; Generalissimo, 1872–73; Commander, 1874–75. Was elected member of the Commandery Fund Committee, on which he remained until his death. Died February 6, 1915.

Eminent Sir Clinton Daniels Sellew, son of Thomas Smith and Almira (Daniels) Sellew, was born in the town of Coventry, Connecticut, January 1, 1839. His school education was in the public schools of his native town, supplemented by one year at the Chase School in Middletown, Connecticut. Coming to Providence at the age of eighteen, he began his business life as a clerk; was six years, beginning in 1862, in the office of the collector of internal revenue for the Second District of Rhode Island, and for four years in the office of the assessor of the First District of Rhode Island.

Was secretary of the Water Commissioners and Board of Public Works of Providence from May 30, 1872, to February 1, 1889, member of Board of Public Works from March 1, 1884, to February 11, 1889; secretary of Commissioner of Public Works from February 11, 1889, to March, 1891, resigning to engage in business.

Was for several years a member of the firm of A. O. Miles & Co., succeeding his friend John P. Luther upon the death of the latter.

Was in the Common Council of Providence from third ward from June, 1871, to February 10, 1877, resigning. Again in Common Council, this time from first ward, from January, 1892, to 1896, being president of the Council the last three years.

In 1884 was chosen the messenger to carry the vote of the presidential electors of Rhode Island to Washington.

Upon the death of General Treasurer Samuel Clark, December 27, 1897, Mr. Sellew was appointed by Governor Dyer to fill the unexpired term, and served most acceptably until the first of the following June. He would probably have been elected to that position, as he possessed in an unusual degree the necessary qualifications for that responsible office, but for the unwritten law that this office should be filled by some one residing outside of Providence.

He thoroughly enjoyed political activity and made himself felt to such a marked degree in the Republican party as to excite the enmity and jealousy at times of those less successful.

May 11, 1901, President Roosevelt appointed him postmaster of the city of Providence, and he filled this office until February, 1909, when ill health compelled him to resign at the age of threescore and ten. He then retired from active business life and was from that time tenderly and lovingly cared for by those near and dear to him, passing quietly and peacefully away Friday afternoon, January 22, 1915, at his home in East Providence. He is survived by four children.

Eminent Sir Sellew was at times a member of several organizations which benefited by his keen judgment and business ability, but the various branches of Freemasonry appealed most powerfully to him. In and through that Order he formed many of his dearest friendships, and to it in its several grades he gave freely of the best that was in him for half a century. Brother Sellew became a member of What Cheer Lodge, No. 21, March 23, 1860, and was its third Secretary, filling that important office very successfully four years; he dimitted and became a charter member of Corinthian Lodge, No. 27, in 1868, and was the second Master of that Lodge, filling that office three years beginning with October 28, 1869. In the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island Right Worshipful Brother Sellew was Grand Treasurer two years, beginning in 1875, and again five years, beginning in 1879, and served efficiently upon many important committees in that body. He was one of the organizers of the Rhode Island Veteran Masons' Association, and after serving eleven years as Steward and three years as Vice-President was unanimously chosen their Venerable President October 19, 1906, and re-elected at each annual meeting until 1914, although being unable to be present with them after 1908.

Companion Sellew was made a Royal Arch Mason in Providence R. A. Chapter, No. 1, January 17, 1861, and was elected Secretary of the Chapter five years, beginning in 1867. In the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Rhode Island he was Grand Treasurer seven years, beginning in March, 1877, and was elected Grand Scribe in 1884, serving one year. He became a member of Providence Council, No. 1, R. & S. Masters, March 9, 1866, was Recorder of that Council two years beginning January 10, 1868, and Grand Recorder of the Grand Council of Rhode Island one year, 1868.

In Calvary Commandery, No. 13, Knights Templars, Eminent Sir Sellew probably found his broadest field of congenial activity. At the time of its constitution, January 2, 1861, he made himself so useful to the Commandery, though he was not then a member of it, that they passed a unanimous vote of thanks "to Brother Clinton D. Sellew, for services rendered the committee." He was knighted March 22, 1861, by Eminent Sir Henry Butler, and elected Recorder in 1861–62–63–64, Junior Warden in 1872, Generalissimo in 1877, and Eminent Commander in 1878 and 1879, being one of only three to hold that office for two consecutive terms.

It was during his second term that Calvary made that memorable pilgrimage to Chicago as escort to the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, — R.·.E.·. Nelson W. Aldrich, a Past Commander of Calvary, being Grand Commander, — to attend the Twenty-first Triennial of the Grand Encampment of the United States.

At the close of his second term as Commander he was elected one of the Commandery Committee and was unanimously re-elected to that office each year until 1912, when he declined to serve longer. He was Grand Standard Bearer of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island in 1884, and has represented the Grand Commandery of West Virginia, near our Grand Commandery, since 1883, succeeding R.·. E.·. Sir John Dean, deceased.

He received the thirty-second degree and became a member of the four bodies of the A. & A. S. Rite in Providence allegiant to the Northern Jurisdiction, December 23, 1891.

Thus have we alluded to some events in the life of our friend and brother. He ever stood firmly for what he believed to be right and was stanch and true to his friends. Those who knew him well loved him for his true worth. Let us emulate his virtues, and thereby make his life useful to us and ourselves of greater use to others.

Eminent Sir Louis N. Colwell. On the morning of January 20, 1915, at six o'clock, the Grand Master of the universe called to the asylum above our greatly respected and dearly beloved frater, Eminent Sir Louis N. Colwell. He was born September 25, 1872, and was in his forty-third year when summoned to "that undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveler returns."

Calvary Commandery sustained in Eminent Sir Colwell's death a loss that is keenly felt, but which can never be fully realized. The loss we suffered is all the more emphasized when we reflect upon the fact that he was stricken down in the prime of life while possessed of all the vigor and strength of a well-spent life, and that we have lost his ripe experience and rare judgment, which meant so much to all in conducting the affairs of Calvary Commandery.

He was made a Master Mason in Adelphi Lodge, June 6, 1905; exalted to the degree of Royal Arch Mason by the Providence Royal Arch Chapter, No. 1, November 7, 1905; became a Royal and Select Master of Providence Council, R. & S. M. No. 1, November 10, 1905; was knighted in Calvary Commandery, January 15, 1907; and became a member of Palestine Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., June 28, 1909. He was a member of the four bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rites of Providence, allegiant to the northern jurisdiction, having been admitted to Solomon Grand Lodge of Perfection, September 26, 1907, Rhode Island Council Princes of Jerusalem, November 27, 1907, Rhode Island Chapter of Rose Croix, November 27, 1907, and Rhode Island Consistory Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret, January 22, 1908.

While active in many Masonic bodies, his greatest interest and attachment was in Calvary Commandery. He was appointed Junior Warden of Calvary Commandery in September, 1908, and successively passed through the several offices until unanimously elected Eminent Commander in 1913. His year as Commander was one of conspicuous success. Nearly all of the beneficial acts adopted during his administration were the direct results of his untiring efforts. His ritualistic work was of the highest order, and the other duties incident to his office were efficiently and faithfully performed. As a subordinate he was respectful and obedient to his superior officers, and as a superior officer he was kind, thoughtful, and courteous to his subordinates, ever ready to extend a helping hand to those in need.

To those who knew him intimately it was well known that his greatest ambition was to elevate Calvary Commandery to the highest possible plane. He was constantly planning and working for the accomplishment of that end. His work with the Guard during the past year was but one manifestation of the many acts he was doing to place his beloved Commandery in a position that would command the admiration and respect of all Knights Templars. His service to the Commandery was arduous and faithful, but silently and conscientiously performed.

No knight in chivalrous times ever went forth with armor more perfect, with higher ideals, or fought more valiantly for the advancement of the principles of knighthood than our dearly beloved Louis.

While many Masonic honors were conferred upon him, yet none were bestowed except upon merit. His office, whether high or low, was elevated by his good deeds and adorned by his acts of charity.

He possessed all the qualities that make a true Templar. Like all true men he was no flatterer, but despised insincerity. He praised merit wherever shown, but was singularly silent in his own praise, never taking to himself the merit due to others. He was courteous in demeanor, gentlemanly in bearing, and generous to a fault. He possessed sound judgment and was a wise counselor. His temperament was as even as the temperature of tropical seas, and his disposition as genial as the gentle breezes of summer. He unconsciously made friends wherever he went. They were a part of his being, and as lasting as his own soul. His sympathies were easily awakened, and his great heart was like an exhaustless urn, ever pouring forth charity. He had the courage and strength to stand by his own convictions when satisfied of their justice, and he also possessed the courage and strength to change his mind when convinced that his position was wrong.

It takes great strength to train to modern service your ancestral brain;
To lift the weight of the unnumbered years, of dead men's methods, habits, and ideas;
To hold that back with one hand and support with the other the weak steps of a new thought.

It takes great strength to bring your life up square with your accepted thought and hold it there;
Resisting the inertia that drags back from new attempts to the old habit's track.
It is so easy to drift back, to sink; so hard to live abreast of what you think.

It takes great strength to live where you belong when others think that you are wrong;
People you love and who love you, and whose approval is a pleasure you would choose.
To bear this pressure and succeed at length in living your belief, well, it takes strength, and courage, too.

Eminent Sir Louis N. Colwell possessed such strength and courage. It was those qualities that embalmed him in the innermost shrines of the hearts of all the Sir Knights of Calvary.

His loyalty to the Commandery was second to none and continued to the very last. Those who surrounded his deathbed relate that in the few short intervals of delirium that occurred his mind relapsed to the Ladies' Night of Calvary Commandery. He spoke of various things relating to it, and finally said he was tired and would soon go to sleep, not to wake. His indomitable will power prolonged his life throughout that night, so as not to cast a shadow of gloom upon that occasion, thus paying his last act of loyalty to his own Calvary. Little did he know as he fought to live through the night that there was deep sadness in the hearts of many Sir Knights who saw the vacant table at the banquet which had been assigned to him, or that they realized the great sorrow that was so soon to come.

His life, unlike the freshet-swollen, turbulent, swift-flowing river, carrying destruction, desolation, and death in its wake, was a quiet stream, silently flowing through the rugged hills of adversity and the meadows of peaceful industry, carrying peace, happiness, and love in its wake, until it emptied itself into the boundless ocean of eternity. Its banks were fringed with flowers and shaded with elms and maples.

The lesson of his life taught that here all was naught, and that though we weep with those who weep, yet it is not the room we love, but the inmate; not the broken shell, but the pearl within. The daily walk of Eminent Sir Louis N. Colwell absolved a fault and helped a virtue grow. He dared the rugged road of right, and while pursuing perilous paths, he lived to find easier ascent and lighter loads till he reached the twin sister peaks of Life and Death, around whose chilling snows the gilded clouds were painted in warmer color of love.

The cares of anxious days are past to him, and he dreamed undreamed the tale untold, and reached the day that knew only eternal noon.

We are here to pay tribute to our departed frater, who has faithfully performed his pilgrimage, his years of warfare, his year of penance, and who has received the reward that awaits the valiant Templar; to drop a tear, and to embalm his memory with our love; to plant a flower in his honor, whose fragrance may reach those who were so near and dear to him. We say to them, Louis N. Colwell, whom you call dead, sleeps well, and lives and loves you.

Eminent Sir DAVID J. PIERCE, Past Commander of South Shore Commandery, of East Weymouth, Massachusetts, passed away Sunday morning, February 14, 1915, at the Fenway Hospital, Boston, after an illness of about six weeks. He had been under treatment at his home until a week previous, when it was decided that an operation was necessary and he was taken to the hospital and the operation performed. Recovery seemed doubtful and the end came early Sunday morning.

Eminent Sir Pierce was one of the best known of Weymouth's older citizens. Born in North Weymouth, October 2, 1839, the son of David and Nancy (Blanchard) Pierce, and with the exception of a few years spent in the middle West, and while serving his country in the civil war, Weymouth was his home in every sense of the word.

On November 29, 1865, he married Sarah H. Clapp, who, with his daughter Alice, now Mrs. Albert L. Jewell, and one sister, Miss Nancy J. Pierce, of Hingham, survive him. Next fall he would have celebrated his fiftieth wedding anniversary. For many years he conducted a drug business in Weymouth Square, but for the past twenty-five years had devoted his time to the care of his real estate properties. He was one of the trustees of the Weymouth Savings Bank, a director of the South Shore Co-operative Bank, a Past Chancellor of Delphi Lodge, K. of P., a Past Master and Treasurer of Delta Lodge, A.F. & A. M., member of Pentalpha R. A. Chapter, and a Past Commander of South Shore Commandery, as well as a member of the Massachusetts and Rhode Island Association of Knights Templars Commanders. He served in Co. A, 32d Massachusetts Infantry, during the war, and in 1882 became a member of Reynolds Post, No. 58, G. A. R.

The funeral service was held at his late home, 121 Webb Street, Weymouth, Tuesday, February 16, 1915, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon, and was conducted by his former pastor, Rev. Rufus H. Dix, assisted by Rev. Arthur Mercer, the present pastor of the First Universalist Church, of which Eminent Sir Pierce was a member. The funeral was largely attended and the profusion of flowers bore testimony of the sympathy. Under the escort of his comrades (Reynolds Post, No. 58, G. A. R.) the body was taken to the North Weymouth cemetery, where the committal service of the Grand Army was performed.

His Masonic record is as follows: Raised in Meridian Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Natick; joined Delta Lodge on February 16, 1875, and was Worshipful Master from 1886 to 1888; received the Capitular Degrees in Pentalpha R. A. Chapter, of Weymouth, the Mark and Past in April, 1878, the Most Excellent in May, and the Royal Arch in June of the same year; received the degrees of Knights Templar in South Shore Commandery, Red Cross in November, 1878, Temple in December of the same year, and the Malta on January 6, 1879, serving as Eminent Commander in 1900 and 1901.

Eminent Sir Martin Moore Hancock, Past Eminent Commander of William Parkman Commandery, one of East Boston's oldest and most respected citizens, died at his residence 20 Marion Street, Monday morning, March 8th, at 8.30. His death was sudden and unexpected (neuralgia of the heart). He attended church Sunday evening, became ill during the night, and called the doctor personally on the telephone of his neighbor next door. On returning he sank gradually to his death. He was a modest and retiring gentleman, of genial disposition, a loving husband, kind father, devoted friend, a true and enthusiastic Mason. He was born in Cohasset, October 16, 1840, and attended the public schools there. He came to East Boston in 1856, at sixteen years of age.

He first entered the employ of Bird's Machine Shop, where he learned his trade. In 1893 he became a co-partner with Warren Haskell & Co. Afterwards the firm became Hancock & Soule. They were the originators and furnishers of mechanical shoe machines. He retired from business some ten years ago. He was a member of the Boston Common Council for four years and declined further political honors.

In Freemasonry he was a member and constant attendant of Mt. Tabor Lodge, A. F. & A. M., for forty-seven years, occupying positions or offices of trust as trustee, director, or holder of permanent funds, on Board of Directors. He joined November 25, 1869; appointed Junior Steward, 1869, Senior Deacon, 1870; elected Junior Warden, 1871, Senior Warden, 1872, 1873, and 1874, Worshipful Master, 1875 and 1876; Honorary Member, 1915, Treasurer 1901 to date, fourteen years. Exalted St. John's R. A. Chapter, December 22, 1873; East Boston Council, R. & S. Masters, June, 1874; Knighted William Parkman Commandery, K. T., April 10, 1884; Junior Warden, 1887, Senior Warden, 1888, Captain-General, 1889 and 1890; Generalissimo, 1891 and 1892; Eminent Commander, 1893 and 1894. He was a member of the Massachusetts and

Rhode Island Association of Knights Templars Commanders, Past Masters' Association, Third Masonic District; 32d Degree Mason, life member of Massachusetts Consistory; Board of Directors Masonic organizations; thirty-five years member Massachusetts Charitable Mechanics Association. Active in church matters, he was a regular attendant and took interest in the welfare of the Trenton Street Baptist Society.

He is survived by his wife, two sons, Frank D. Hancock, of Dorchester, and Webster R. Hancock, of Albany, New York, and one daughter, Mrs. A. J. Rogers, of Winthrop. His funeral was held in the Trenton Street Baptist Church, Wednesday, March 10th, at 2 P.M. The service was conducted by Rev. Chas. J. Jones, after which the Masonic burial service was by Mt. Tabor Lodge. The church auditorium, which seats six hundred, was filled by relatives, friends, and members of the Masonic fraternities. Music was by a male quartette; floral offerings were profuse. Burial was in the family lot at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Eminent Sir George Carr Lawton, Past Commander of Washington Commandery, Newport, Rhode Island, was born August 9, 1872. He responded to the summons and entered into the asylum above February 4, 1915. Eminent Sir Lawton came from a long line of honorable and influential Rhode Island ancestry, dating back to Captain George Lawton of the English Royal Navy, who settled in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, in 1638.

He inherited in a marked degree their love of liberty, their loyalty to American institutions, and their manly and happy traits and characteristics.

When, in addition to this, we consider that as boy and man he was closely associated with his father, the late Sir William S. Lawton, Jr., in his business, social, and Masonic activities, we comprehend the source of that geniality of manner and that enthusiastic love and loyal support of Masonic institutions and Templar principles which dominated his life.

From that day, April 24, 1899, on which he was raised in St. John's Lodge, No. 1, A. F. & A. M., until sixteen years later, when, crowned with Masonic and Templar honors, his earthly activity and career terminated, he was exceptionally prominent and pre-eminently influential and helpful in Masonic circles and affairs.

His wisdom and integrity were early recognized and made use of by his brethren, and in the course of time he had been elected to preside over every Masonic Order in Newport.

Working his way through the lower positions he served successively as Master of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, A. F. & A. M., High Priest of Newport Chapter, No. 2, R. A. M., Thrice Illustrious Master of De Blois Council, No. 5, R. & S. M., Eminent Commander of Washington Commandery, No. 4, Knights Templars, and Thrice Potent Master of Van Rensselaer Lodge of Perfection.

He was also a Noble of Palestine Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., a member of Rhode Island Consistory, thirty-second degree, and at the time of his death he held the office of Grand Royal Arch Captain in the Grand Chapter of Rhode Island.

His funeral services, on February 7th, in charge of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, with Washington Commandery, No. 4, as escort, were attended by representatives of all these bodies and by an exceedingly large number of personal friends.

In his family life Eminent Sir Lawton was most happy and fortunate. A devoted wife, who mourns the loss of a loving husband and a congenial companion, and six sons, who mourn the loss of a strong and tender father, playmate, and friend, survive him.

Eminent Sir Horace Sargent Bacon, Past Commander of Pilgrim Commandery, of Lowell, Massachusetts, was born in Lowell in 1869. Died in Lowell, Massachusetts, April 8, 1915. He was educated in the local public schools and graduated from the Lowell High School in 1887. In 1892 he was appointed Commissioner of Deeds, and about this time graduated from the Harvard Law School, although he never practised his profession to any great extent, but devoted the greater portion of his time in caring for his real estate. In 1909 he was appointed Register of Deeds, to succeed the late Captain Thompson. At the expiration of the term of his appointment he became a candidate for this office but failed of an election. He was initiated as an Entered Apprentice in Kilwinning Lodge, A. F. & A. M., November 1, 1895; passed to the degree of Fellow Craft December 27, 1895, and raised as a Master Mason March 13, 1896. He was Worshipful Master of Kilwinning Lodge during the years of 1904 and 1905. He was a Past District Deputy Grand Master in what was formerly known as the Twelfth Masonic District.

He received the Mark degree in Mt. Horeb R. A. Chapter April 13, 1896, the Past degree April 27, 1896, the Most Excellent degree May 11, 1896, and the R. A. degree June 8, 1896.

He was elected High Priest October 17, 1910, and served to October 17, 1911. He was District Deputy Grand High Priest for the Ninth District from December, 1913, to December, 1914.

He received the degrees in Ahasuerus Council, Royal and Select Masters, as follows: Royal, November 28, 1904; Select, June 30, 1905; Superexcellent, February 20, 1906.

He received the Order of the Red Cross in Pilgrim Commandery, November 25, 1896, and was knighted January 20, 1897. He served as Eminent Commander in 1910 and 1911, and was Recorder at the time of his decease.

He was a thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, and at the time of his death he was Most Worshipful Master of Mt. Calvary Chapter of Rose Croix.

By his individual efforts he had brought the work of Mt. Calvary Chapter to a degree of excellence never equaled in its history.

He was a man of more than ordinary ability, square, upright, and affable; a good citizen, an enthusiastic Mason, and ever willing to oblige a friend. A long time must necessarily elapse before we can be free from the cloud of gloom caused by his untimely death.

SISTER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

Right Eminent Sir Zachary Taylor Waldrond, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Oklahoma. Born in Hart County, Kentucky, April 3, 1847. Died in Muskogee, Oklahoma, November 6, 1914.

Right Eminent Sir Robert McCulloch, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Missouri. Born in Osceola, Missouri, September 15, 1841. Died in St. Louis, Missouri, September 28, 1914.

Right Eminent Sir Frank William Sumner, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of California. Born in Dover, Maine, January 13, 1849. Died in San Francisco, California, October 8, 1914. Right Eminent Sir Sumner was the Representative of this Grand Commandery near the Grand Commandery of California at the time of his death.

Right Eminent Sir James Southgate, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of North Carolina. Born in Gloucester County, Virginia, July 26, 1832. Died in Durham, North Carolina, October 28, 1914.

Right Eminent Sir William Jones Terrell, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Missouri. Born in ——————————, November 11, 1834. Died in Burlington, New Jersey, October 30, 1914.

Right Eminent Sir Charles W. Slick, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Indiana. Born in Canal Fulton, Ohio, March 19, 1849. Died in Mishawaka, Indiana, November 11, 1914.

Right Eminent Sir James Talman Waters, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of West Virginia. Died at Charleston, West Virginia, November 22, 1914.

Right Eminent Sir Harry Porter Deuel, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Nebraska. Born in Clarkson, New York, December 11, 1836. Died in Omaha, Nebraska, November 23, 1914.

Right Eminent Sir Daniel James Turner, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Virginia. Born in Portsmouth, Virginia, January 13, 1844. Died in Portsmouth, Virginia, November 22, 1914.

Right Eminent Sir William J. Milligan, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania. Born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, January 13, 1852. Died in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, January 18, 1915.

Right Eminent Sir Thomas Palmer Satterwhite, Jr., Past Grand Commander of the Past Grand Commandery of Kentucky. Born in Louisville, Kentucky, June 7, 1862. Died in Louisville, Kentucky, February 4, 1915.

Right Eminent Sir Alpheus Butts Simmons, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Georgia. Born in Irwinton, Georgia, October 19, 1864. Died in Savannah, Georgia, February 11, 1915.

Right Eminent Sir Henry M. Waters, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Kansas. Born in Trenton Falls, New York, January 17, 1841. Died in El Paso, Texas, February 22, 1915.

Right Eminent Sir William Chapman Jenness, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Maryland. Born in Abingdon, Maryland, March 10, 1850. Died in Baltimore, Maryland, February 28, 1915.

Right Eminent Sir George H. Jenkins, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Kansas. Born in Illinois, August 21, 1849. Died in Kansas City, Missouri, March 26, 1915.

Right Eminent Sir Alsop Park Woodward, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Georgia. Born in Bluffton, South Carolina, May 4, 1847. Died in Atlanta, Georgia, March 17, 1915.

Eminent Sir Orestes A. B. Senter, Past Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Commandery of Ohio. Born in Boston, Massachusetts, December 17, 1843. Died in Eustis, Florida, February 21, 1915.

Right Eminent Sir Frank Clark Holmes, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Michigan. Born in Milford, Michigan, April 7, 1858. Died in Florida, March 14, 1915.

Right Eminent Sir DeWitt E. Allen, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of North Carolina. Died in Jacksonville, Florida, January 4, 1915.

Right Eminent Sir Augustus C. Golden, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Connecticut. Born in Greenwich, Connecticut, November 23, 1833. Died in Norwalk, Connecticut, April 8, 1915.

Eminent Sir John Berry Garrett, Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of Tennessee. Born near Nashville, Tennessee, October 7, 1854. Died at Nashville, Tennessee, March 26, 1915.

Eminent Sir John Robert Wilkinson, Grand Standard Bearer of the Grand Commandery of Georgia. Born at Newman, Georgia, June 20, 1856. Died at Atlanta, Georgia, April 7, 1915.

"There is only a curtain between us,
Between the beyond and the here;
They whom we call dead have not left us,
Nay, they were never so near."

GENERAL ORDERS

Office of the R∴E∴Grand Commander,
Malden, Massachusetts,
October 30, 1914, A. O. 796.

Walter F. Medding, *Grand Commander*

General Orders, No. 1
Series 1914–1915

1. The several Commanderies within this Jurisdiction are assigned for official inspection as follows:

To V∴Em∴Sir Frederick I. Dana, *Deputy Grand Commander.*

Boston Commandery	No. 2
Springfield Commandery	No. 6
Winslow Lewis Commandery	No. 18
Beauseant Commandery	No. 41

To Em∴Sir Samuel D. Sherwood, *Grand Generalissimo.*

Milford Commandery	No. 11
St. Bernard	No. 12
Connecticut Valley, Connecticut	No. 23
South Shore	No. 31

To Em∴Sir William H. Emerson, *Grand Captain-General.*

De Molay Commandery	No. 7
Natick Commandery	No. 33
Gethsemane Commandery	No. 35
Bethlehem Commandery	No. 43

To Em∴Sir William J. Bolton, *Grand Senior Warden.*

Worcester County Commandery	No. 5
Berkshire Commandery	No. 22
Cœur de Lion Commandery	No. 34
Quincy Commandery	No. 47

To Em∴Sir Everett C. Benton, *Grand Junior Warden.*

Old Colony Commandery	No. 15
Palestine Commandery	No. 10
Bethany Commandery	No. 17
St. George Commandery	No. 44

To Em∴Sir Harry G. Pollard, *Grand Standard Bearer.*

Joseph Warren Commandery	No. 26
Athol Commandery	No. 37
Bay State Commandery	No. 38

To Em.·.Sir Charles R. Hunt, *Grand Sword Bearer.*

Washington Commandery	No. 4
Pilgrim Commandery	No. 9
St. Paul Commandery	No. 40

To Em.·.Sir Henry C. Dexter, *Grand Captain of Guards.*

Calvary Commandery	No. 13
Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery	No. 25
William Parkman Commandery	No. 28

To Em.·.Sir James S. Blake, *Grand Lecturer.*

St. John's Commandery	No. 1
Hugh de Payens Commandery	No. 20
Ivanhoe Commandery	No. 46

To Em.·.Sir J. Fred Parker, *Grand Lecturer.*

Holy Sepulchre Commandery	No. 8
Sutton Commandery	No. 16
St. Omer Commandery	No. 21

To Em.·.Sir Lewis M. Woodbridge, *Grand Lecturer.*

Newburyport Commandery	No. 3
Bristol Commandery	No. 29
Trinity Commandery	No. 32

To Em.·.Sir Asa C. Jewett, *Grand Lecturer.*

Haverhill Commandery	No. 14
Northampton Commandery	No. 30
Olivet Commandery	No. 36

To Em.·.Sir Clarence M. Dunbar, *Grand Lecturer.*

Woonsocket Commandery	No. 24
Narragansett Commandery	No. 27
Cyprus Commandery	No. 39

To Em.·.Sir Olin D. Dickerman, *Grand Lecturer.*

Jerusalem Commandery	No. 19
Cambridge Commandery	No. 42
Orange Commandery	No. 45

2. Eminent Commanders are directed to cause to be sent to this office immediate information of the death of a Past Commander or officer of their respective Commanderies, together with such a sketch of his Masonic history as can be obtained.

3. Eminent Commanders are ordered to have all Rituals of the Order entrusted to the officers of their Commanderies presented to the inspecting officer when called for. Inspecting officers are directed to make official report of any failure to comply with this order at once.

4. The Eminent Commander of each Commandery will ascertain before the visit of the inspecting officer the actual number of uniforms owned by the Sir Knights of his Commandery. Definite report of the same is to be made to the inspecting officer.

5. Eminent Commanders will cause to be sent to the Right Eminent Grand Commander the inspecting officer assigned to their Commanderies, and to the Grand Recorder a notice of each Conclave of their respective Commanderies during this Templar year.

6. The drill of Commanderies must be in accordance with tactics laid down in "Grant's Tactics," which can be purchased from the Grand Recorder.

7. This order will be read at the head of each Commandery at the first stated conclave after its receipt.

WALTER F. MEDDING,
Grand Commander.

Attest:
B. W. ROWELL,
[SEAL] *Grand Recorder.*

ADDRESSES OF INSPECTING OFFICERS

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E.·.Sir William H. Emerson . . 984 Main Street, Campello, Mass.
E.·.Sir William J. Bolton . . . . Athol, Mass.
E.·.Sir Everett C. Benton . . . 65 Kilby Street, Boston, Mass.
E.·.Sir Harry G. Pollard . . . . Lowell, Mass.
E.·.Sir Charles R. Hunt . . . . New Bedford, Mass.
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E.·.Sir Olin D. Dickerman . . . 311 Summer Street, Boston, Mass.

OFFICE OF THE R.·. E.·. GRAND COMMANDER,
MALDEN, MASSACHUSETTS,
November 23, 1914.

WALTER F. MEDDING, *Grand Commander*

GENERAL ORDERS, NO. 2
SERIES OF 1914–1915

To all Knights Templars within the Jurisdiction of this Grand Commandery:

The following sentiment has been prepared by the Committee on Christmas Observance of the Grand Encampment of the United States of America:

> *To Our Most Eminent Grand Master, Arthur MacArthur:*
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> With the recurrence of the anniversary of the birth of Him who came to the world as the Prince of Peace, we His followers view with deep distress the conflict that is engaging our brethren over seas, and turn with loyal and loving hearts to our gracious Redeemer, praying that His spirit may continue to lead us ever and always in the paths of righteousness and peace.

The Grand Master sends the following response:

> *Sir Knights:*
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> Within the hallowed precincts of that holy house in which we, in spirit, as Templars dwell, comes the restful confidence of peace and brotherly love towards all mankind. This home, whose beneficent influences surround, guard, and protect us, and whose teachings are of the inspired Prince of Peace, our Guide, our Comforter, and our Redeemer, is the result of the application of His teachings in our daily walk of life.
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> We of the mighty hosts of Templars in this country, in full appreciation and with full thankfulness, should offer with overflowing hearts, in this season of Christmas rejoicing, a prayer of thanksgiving that to us there has been granted the blessings of peace, and that we dwell in security and bask in the smile of His wonderful love. But to that prayer also should be added the spirit of the Christmas season, the glory of doing unto others as we should have them do unto us.
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> The day and generation in which we are active factors demand that to those who need our help, and to those who are in suffering and in want, a Christian spirit should prevail in a practical way. Our hands and our hearts should glory in the demonstration of the teachings of the Prince of Peace. At home and at our very doorside the poor we have always with us. The widow, the orphan, and the friendless can be cheered and comforted. Abroad where war's devastation has laid its heavy hand, our prayers and, above all, our charity should be a welcome visitor.
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> May true Christian knighthood exist, not only throughout this broad land of ours, but throughout the world. May brotherly love prevail, and may that knightly fellowship, the true application of which is the foundation of the teachings of our Order, be paramount in all the actions of man toward his brother man.
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> May the Great Captain of our Salvation hasten the day when the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man shall be universal on this footstool.
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> Above all, Sir Knights, let charity govern your hearts and hands, let love ever prevail, and let the teachings of the Prince of Peace ever be your guide.
>
> Courteously and fraternally,
>
> ARTHUR MACARTHUR, *Grand Master*.

It will be gratifying to the Grand Commander to have the Sir Knights of this Jurisdiction, assembled in their asylums, their homes, or wherever they may be, join in the sentiment prepared by the committee, and in wishing the Grand Master a joyous and happy Christmas as a mark of their respect and love for the Grand Master.

This order will be borne upon the notice of the stated conclave next preceding December 25, A.D. 1914, A.O. 796, and be read at the head of each Commandery at said stated conclave.

Witness my hand and seal of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, this twenty-third day of November, A.D. 1914, A.O. 796.

WALTER F. MEDDING,
Grand Commander.

ATTEST:
B. W. ROWELL,
[SEAL] *Grand Recorder*.

The following was received from the Chairman of the Committee on Christmas observance:

Committee on Christmas Observance
Grand Encampment Knights Templar

Office of Chairman,
Owosso, Michigan, November 1, 1914.

Right Eminent Sir and Dear Frater: In his address before the Thirty-second Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment, Grand Master William B. Melish called particular attention to the Christmas observance, stating that it "has become an established custom, and yet is not recognized in our statutes nor is the committee that prepares the toast authorized among the regular committees of the Grand Encampment. . . . It seems to me there should be an endorsement of the Christmas observance by the Grand Encampment, and the suggestion made that there be a general observance of a Templar day, once a year, preferably during the holiday week, but not specially on Christmas day, nor at any special hour of the day. Suppose the Templars of the United States were to meet between December 20th and December 31st, to celebrate 'the feast of St. John the Almoner or St. John of Jerusalem,'" etc. (From proceedings of Grand Encampment, 1913, page 82.)

A special committee was appointed at the Grand Encampment session, the full report of which is given on pages 287 to 289, Proceedings of 1913, which we would be glad to have you read, as the question is one of much importance.

As the basis for preparing a report, and making suggestions for future Christmas observances, the committee would be glad to have your personal opinion.

First, as to the time that the observance be held, day and hour.

Second, as to the character of the service.

Third, any further suggestions you will give with reference to the subject.

The committee would appreciate receiving samples of programmes of the Christmas observance, where programmes are printed. We trust you will not lay this request thoughtlessly aside, but will co-operate with the committee in endeavoring to formulate some suggestions that will be generally acceptable to the Grand Encampment.

Courteously yours,
GEORGE T. CAMPBELL,
Chairman.

The following reply was sent:

November 25, 1914.

George T. Campbell, Esq.,
Chairman, Committee on Christmas Observance,
Grand Encampment Knights Templars,
Owosso, Michigan.

Right Eminent and Dear Sir: Replying to your inquiry which accompanied the sentiment offered by the Committee on Christmas Observance and the response of the Most Eminent Grand Master, would say that it has been the custom in this Grand Jurisdiction for many years for the Sir Knights to assemble in their asylums at a convenient hour on Christmas morning, enjoy an entertainment of some sort appropriate to the occasion, and at the hour of high twelve to participate in the toast to our Most Eminent Grand Master and other distinguished fraters, not forgetting those who have passed on to the asylum above, or those who are sick or in distress.

Our entertainments have usually been of a musical or literary nature, sometimes an address or lecture, illustrated or otherwise, but all appropriate to the day and occasion.

No order is issued to the Subordinate Commanderies by the Grand Commander, other than the promulgation of the order of the Committee on Christmas Observance, but the foregoing has been voluntarily adopted as a general programme and is submitted for your information.

Courteously yours,
WALTER F. MEDDING,
Grand Commander.

The following General Order was received from the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar of the United States of America:

Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the
United States of America

M∴E∴Sir Lee S. Smith, *Acting Grand Master*

General Orders, No. 1

To all Commanderies and Subordinate Commanderies within the Jurisdiction of and Holding Allegiance to the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, Greeting:

Know Ye, That in conformity with a custom heretofore approved by this Grand Encampment, we have appointed the following named Sir Knights, to whom commissions have been issued, as our Representatives to the respective Grand Commandery to which each is assigned, charging each frater with the duty of visiting the Grand Commandery to which he has been assigned, inspecting said body, and reporting to us upon such matters as may seem to him important.

The Grand Commandery of Alabama, to which is assigned
V∴E∴Sir Joseph K. Orr, *Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Encampment,* Atlanta, Georgia.

The Grand Commandery of Arizona, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Harvey Davis Loveland, *Past Grand Commander,*
San Francisco, California.

The Grand Commandery of Arkansas, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir I. H. Hettinger, *Grand Commander,*
Kansas City, Missouri.

The Grand Commandery of California, to which is assigned
V∴E∴Sir Jehiel W. Chamberlin, *Grand Captain-General of the Grand Encampment,* St. Paul, Minnesota.

The Grand Commandery of Colorado, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Edw. W. Wellington, *Past Grand Commander,*
Ellsworth, Kansas.

The Grand Commandery of Connecticut, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Guy W. Shoemaker, *Past Grand Commander,*
Elmira, New York.

The Grand Commandery of the District of Columbia, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Thos. J. Shryock, *Past Grand Commander,*
Baltimore, Maryland.

The Grand Commandery of Florida, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Wm. A. Briant, *Past Grand Commander,*
New Orleans, Louisiana.

The Grand Commandery of Georgia, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Fred Greenwood, *Past Grand Commander,*
Norfolk, Virginia.

The Grand Commandery of Idaho, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Samuel Paul, *Past Grand Commander,*
Salt Lake City, Utah.

The Grand Commandery of Illinois, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Bernard Gratz, *Past Grand Commander,*
Henderson, Kentucky.

The Grand Commandery of Indiana, to which is assigned
M∴E∴Sir William B. Melish, *Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment,* Cincinnati, Ohio.

The Grand Commandery of Iowa, to which is assigned
V∴E∴Sir Wm. L. Sharp, *Grand Sword Bearer of the Grand Encampment,* Chicago, Illinois.

The Grand Commandery of Kansas, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir J. Angus Gillis, *Grand Commander,* Frederick, Oklahoma.

The Grand Commandery of Kentucky, to which is assigned
V∴E∴Sir L. P. Newby, *Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Encampment,* Knightstown, Indiana.

The Grand Commandery of Louisiana, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Oliver L. McKay, *Past Grand Commander,*
Meridian, Mississippi.

The Grand Commandery of Maine, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Frank L. Nagle, *Past Grand Commander,*
Newtonville, Massachusetts.

The Grand Commandery of Maryland, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Peter Magill, *Past Grand Commander,*
Bound Brook, New Jersey.

The Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, to which is assigned
V∴E∴Sir and Rev. Henry R. Freeman, *Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment,* Troy, New York.

The Grand Commandery of Michigan, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Geo. W. Buck, *Past Grand Commander,* Duluth, Minnesota.

The Grand Commandery of Minnesota, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir David Millar Brownlee, *Past Grand Commander,*
Sioux City, Iowa.

The Grand Commandery of Mississippi, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Robert S. Teague, *Past Grand Commander,*
Montgomery, Alabama.

The Grand Commandery of Missouri, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Winfield S. Durbin, *Past Grand Commander,*
Anderson, Indiana.

The Grand Commandery of Montana, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Geo. A. Pettigrew, *Past Grand Commander,*
Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

The Grand Commandery of Nebraska, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Hutson B. Colman, *Past Grand Commander,*
Kalamazoo, Michigan.

The Grand Commandery of New Hampshire, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Eli C. Birdsey, *Past Grand Commander,*
Meriden, Connecticut.

The Grand Commandery of New Jersey, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Wm. J. Diehl, *Past Grand Commander*,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

The Grand Commandery of New Mexico, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir John Carson Kidd, *Past Grand Commander*,
Houston, Texas.

The Grand Commandery of New York, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir H. M. Boykin, *Past Grand Commander*,
Richmond, Virginia.

The Grand Commandery of North Carolina, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Edward G. Staley, *Past Grand Commander*,
Baltimore, Maryland.

The Grand Commandery of North Dakota, to which is assigned
V∴E∴Wm. H. Norris, *Grand Junior Warden of the Grand Encampment*,
Manchester, Iowa.

The Grand Commandery of Ohio, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Ed. O. Bower, *Past Grand Commander*,
Parkersburg, West Virginia.

The Grand Commandery of Oklahoma, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Sam P. Cochran, *Past Grand Commander*, Dallas, Texas.

The Grand Commandery of Oregon, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir A. A. Jessup, *Past Grand Commander*, Boisé, Idaho.

The Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Geo. McGown, *Past Grand Commander*,
Palmyra, New York.

The Grand Commandery of South Carolina, to which is assigned
V∴E∴Sir Alexander B. Andrews, Jr., *Grand Captain of the Guard, Grand Encampment*,
Raleigh, North Carolina.

The Grand Commandery of South Dakota, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Edward C. Day, *Past Grand Commander*, Helena, Montana.

The Grand Commandery of Tennessee, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Geo. A. Lewis, *Past Grand Commander*,
Frankfort, Kentucky.

The Grand Commandery of Texas, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Charles E. Rosenbaum, *Past Grand Commander*,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

The Grand Commandery of Utah, to which is assigned
V∴E∴Sir Geo. W. Vallery, *Grand Warder of the Grand Encampment*,
Denver, Colorado.

The Grand Commandery of Vermont, to which is assigned
V∴E∴Sir Frederick C. Thayer, *Grand Standard Bearer of the Grand Encampment*,
Waterville, Maine.

The Grand Commandery of Virginia, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Geo. W. Kendrick, Jr., *Past Grand Commander*,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

The Grand Commandery of Washington, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Curtis B. Winn, *Past Grand Commander*, Albany, Oregon.

The Grand Commandery of West Virginia, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Nelson Williams, *Grand Commander*, Hamilton, Ohio.

The Grand Commandery of Wisconsin, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Thos. Kite, *Past Grand Commander*, Cincinnati, Ohio.

The Grand Commandery of Wyoming, to which is assigned
R∴E∴Sir Frederick Treon, *Past Grand Commander*,
Chamberlain, South Dakota.

The Subordinate Commanderies of the Grand Encampment will be under the direct supervision of the Grand Master.

Upon receipt of this General Order, the Grand Commander of each Grand Jurisdiction will, as soon as possible, get in communication with the Sir Knight appointed as visitor to his Grand Commandery, and give him all information as to the time and place of the next annual conclave of his Grand Commandery, and arrange for his official visit thereto.

Given under my hand and seal, in the city of Pittsburgh, State of Pennsylvania, this thirteenth day of February, A.D. 1915, A.O. 797.

LEE S. SMITH,
Acting Grand Master.

Attest:
FRANK H. JOHNSON,
[seal] *Grand Recorder.*

The foregoing General Order No. 1 was duly acknowledged, and our inspecting officer, V∴E∴Sir and Rev. Henry R. Freeman, of Troy, New York, Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment, K. T., U. S. A., was communicated with and informed of our satisfaction at his assignment, and the hope that he would honor us by his presence at the semiannual as well as the annual conclave.

MASONIC WAR RELIEF ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Under the date of January 5, 1915, I received a circular letter from Most Eminent Sir Lee S. Smith, Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, K. T., of the U. S. A., endorsing the work of the Masonic War Relief Association, of which M.·.E.·.Sir William B. Melish, Past Grand Master, is the executive head, asking for the co-operation of this Grand Commandery, and that immediate steps be taken to bring the matter to the attention of the Commanderies of this Grand Jurisdiction. In compliance with this request I caused to be issued the following circular letter, which was sent to all the Commanderies in this jurisdiction.

The Eminent Grand Recorder will report the results received from the Subordinate Commanderies, and I submit the subject for the action of this Grand Body today.

Office of the R.·.E.·.Grand Commander,
206 Ferry Street, Malden, Massachusetts.

Walter F. Medding, *Grand Commander.*

To the Subordinate Commanderies within the Jurisdiction of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars, and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

The following appeal has been received from the Masonic War Relief Association of the United States.

THE MASONIC WAR RELIEF ASSOCIATION
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Officers and Executive Committee

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Grand Master Grand Encampment K. T., U. S. A.
Vice-President . . . . Bernard G. Witt, Henderson, Kentucky
General Grand High Priest of Royal Arch Masons, U. S. A.
Vice-President . . . . Frederick R. Smith, Rochester, N. Y.
Imperial Potentate for North America, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

The Advisory Committee will be composed of the presiding officers of the Grand Bodies of Masonry in the several States

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Office of the Chairman of
THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
612 W. Sixth Street
Cincinnati, Ohio, U. S. A.

AN APPEAL FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MASONIC WAR RELIEF ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES

January 2, 1915.

My dear Frater: "He gives twice who gives quickly," and never was this truer than now, for winter is at hand, and human flesh and human souls are crying for help.

At present we have among the warring nations in Europe many thousands of Masonic brethren, Masons who are actually bearing arms. It is not only the losses in our fraternity ranks, of husbands, fathers, and sons, which we must face, but those who are left, — their aged parents, wives and children; many, alas! already become widows and orphans, — FOR WHICH WE MUST HELP PROVIDE. Even wider and deeper than this is the loss in the heavier bereavement, the greater penury, the more acute suffering found among the poor of each conflicting nation, those vast and needy communities whose burdens all generous Masons always carry upon their hearts.

Their breaking, bleeding bodies we must aid to heal, their hunger we must feed, and their desolate and despairing feet we must lead along the rough places into ways of peace.

The existing conditions, therefore, impel us immediately to think strongly of our duty to render relief and assistance to the afflicted and distressed, for wide and wise neutral distribution, among Masons and other worthy destitute people.

We Masons are fellow-soldiers in God's Army of Peace. Our constant prayer must be for Peace. God is Love, and the way to Peace is through a life that refuses to countenance hate and bloodshed.

We ask you, as the Commander of your Commandery, and under the direction of your Grand Commander, to raise a fund, to be paid to The Masonic War Relief Association of the United States, for the relief of the distressed worthy members of our fraternity, their widows and orphans, wheresoever dispersed, and other destitute and homeless persons in the grief-stricken zones of the nations at war.

Cannot this be done immediately, without material injury to ourselves or our brethren or those dependent upon us or them, so that we may in Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth emphasize the purpose of our noble institution and extend its beneficence to the distressed of mankind?

A contribution to this Association from funds under your official control, or an appeal by you to the fraters of your body on this subject, if issued on receipt of this, would, it is believed, elicit from our fraters a generous response.

Your prompt action will be greatly appreciated.

Fraternally yours,

THE MASONIC WAR RELIEF ASSOCIATION,

Wm. B. Melish,
Chairman Executive Committee.

It is hereby ordered that this appeal, accompanied by the enclosed circular letter from the Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar of the United States, be read at the head of each Commandery at the first stated conclave after its receipt.

Any contribution that may be made by the Commanderies, or by the Sir Knights thereof, you are directed to forward to the Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, Em.·.Sir B. W. Rowell, 206 Masonic Temple, Boston, Mass., and by him will be transmitted to M.·.E.·.Sir William B. Melish, chairman of the Executive Committee of the Association.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Grand Commandery this thirtieth day of January, 1915, A.O. 797.

WALTER F. MEDDING,
Grand Commander.

Attest:
B. W. ROWELL, *Grand Recorder.*

Memorial to Washington the Mason

Immediately after the annual conclave in October last, the following letter, addressed to my predecessor, R.·.E.·.Sir William W. Johnson, was received from R.·.E.·.Sir Thomas J. Shryock, President of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association. Prompt acknowledgment of its receipt was made, with the promise to present it to the Grand Commandery today.

A MEMORIAL TO WASHINGTON THE MASON

To be erected in Alexandria, Virginia

The George Washington Masonic National Memorial
Association Headquarters, Masonic Temple,
Alexandria, Virginia

Thomas J. Shryock, G. M. of Maryland	*President*
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John H. Cowles, P. G. M. of Kentucky, and Sec. Gen. A. A. S. R.	*Treasurer*

Address communications to Chas. H. Callahan, *Secretary*, Local Memorial Committee.

Alexandria, Virginia, October 14, 1914.

William W. Johnson, Esq.,
G. C. Grand Commandery, K. T.,
Worcester, Massachusetts.

Right Eminent Sir and Dear Frater: Occupying an exalted station in one of the principal branches of the Masonic fraternity and being familiar in a general way with the great efforts and enterprises of the craft at large, you have doubtless heard of the movement to erect "A Memorial to Washington the Mason," in Alexandria, Virginia. This movement was inaugurated by a number of Grand Masters, who assembled for that purpose in Alexandria, February 22, 1910, and, to carry out their purpose, they also at that time organized "The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association."

That you may understand the exact nature of this organization I am forwarding, under separate cover, a copy of the constitution, approved in 1913, which explains itself.

The idea that the movement is in any sense local, or that it was started for ulterior or selfish purposes, which has been occasionally hinted, is entirely erroneous, and a glance at the names on the heading of this letter, with a careful study of the constitution, will prove sufficient to allay such suspicions in the mind of any impartial observer. There have been, and very naturally, numerous questions asked concerning the undertaking, among those of special importance being, "Why build a memorial to Washington the Mason?" and, if erected at all, "Why locate it in Alexandria?"

Every phase of Washington's wonderful career has in some fitting way been properly commemorated except as a Mason, the latest being by the D. A. R., who are raising a fund of $2,000,000 to erect a memorial in the national capital in honor of his patronage of literature and art. Our great brotherhood, as a body, with all its wealth and patriotism, has hitherto raised no monument, engraved no tablet, to specifically commemorate his devotion to the craft. We must remember with pride that he bequeathed his name as "Master" when in the zenith of his fame, and that his name stands apart from all others as the mightiest force and most cherished patron of our American institution. It is fitting, then, that the whole fraternity should join and erect on the scene of his Masonic labors a national memorial to commemorate the memory of this venerated craftsman.

Situated on the west bank of the Potomac River, six miles south of our national capital and directly in the line of railroad and steamboat travel to Mount Vernon, Alexandria's historic landmarks, and particularly Washington's old Lodge, with its priceless heirlooms, have already become a perfect shrine for pilgrim Masons. Moreover, no other place was so closely associated with Washington as Alexandria. It was his home town, his marketing place; he surveyed its streets, established and endowed its first free schools, founded and was a member of its first fire department, was a member of its town council, a vestryman in its old Episcopal Church, first Master of its Masonic Lodge, and its representative in the House of Burgesses, from 1765 to the outbreak of the Revolutionary War. There as a stripling youth, in 1754, he assumed his first military command as lieutenant-colonel of Provincial troops, with which he fought his initial battle at the Great Meadows; there he received his commission in the British army as major on Braddock's staff. It was there in 1798 that Masons first celebrated his natal day, with him as guest of honor. In Alexandria he held his last military review, gave his last military order, and cast his last vote in the month before he died; and there, on January 20, 1800, his will was recorded, singularly enough, by

the Master of his own Lodge, who was at that time clerk of the county court. Alexandria physicians nursed him in his dying hours, its ministers performed the sacred services, its Masons the solemn burial rites, and its militia paid the only military honors at the funeral of this immortal craftsman. But there is still another inducement. Knowing of the General's intimate relation with the Lodge in Alexandria, and in token of their respect for that association, his intimate friends and relatives have bequeathed or presented to the Lodge numerous articles which were the personal effects or in some way closely associated with him. These treasures have increased in value and are today variously estimated to be worth at least one million dollars. They are now kept in a combustible structure, constantly menaced by fire and vandals. The Lodge proposes to deposit this incomparable collection in the Memorial Temple when completed, that the Masons of all times will look upon them as testimonials of the love and loyalty of Washington and his family and the deep and abiding sympathy of those who were near and dear to him for our beloved fraternity.

There are now thirty-six Grand Lodges, the Southern Jurisdiction, A.A.S.R., the General Grand Council, R. & S. M., members of the association, as well as a number of Grand Commanderies and Grand Chapters, and we very much desire the affiliation of your Grand Body.

All that is necessary to obtain membership in the organization is to secure the official endorsement of the movement by vote of your Grand Commandery and the payment of one hundred dollars, which is the only financial obligation imposed on the constituent members for either the erection or maintenance of the memorial, and for which your Grand Commandery will also receive a certificate of membership in what is known as The Charter Roll of Honor. This roll of honor feature is to consist of one thousand $100 subscriptions, and each subscriber is awarded a certificate of life membership in the association, and the names of all such are to be enrolled on a permanent record to be preserved in the Temple when completed. Memberships are allotted to the several jurisdictions in proportion to their Masonic population and I find that under the plan adopted your jurisdiction is entitled to thirty-nine. Masons and Masonic bodies only are eligible to membership. If desired subscribers can make payments in four annual instalments of twenty-five dollars each.

Let me say in conclusion that all moneys contributed are deposited in the hands of John H. Cowles (Secretary-General A.A.S.R.), who, as you see by this letter, is our treasurer, and not a dollar contributed to the memorial fund can be used for any other purpose. In the event of a failure to raise a sufficient sum to carry out our plan all contributions will be refunded.

I will thank you to favor us with an early reply to this letter, and in doing so you can address communications direct to our local secretary, Charles H. Callahan, in Alexandria, with whom I am in constant touch, and who will give you any further information on the subject desired.

With sentiments of profound respect and best wishes, I am,

Fraternally yours,

THOMAS J. SHRYOCK,
President the G. W. M. N. M. A.

Upon investigation I find that this movement is meeting with the generous support of the several Grand Bodies, especially those with which I am closely connected, and I recommend that this Grand Commandery appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars and thereby secure membership in the Charter Roll of Honor in the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association.

DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

To Winslow Lewis Commandery, No. 18, to parade in Templar uniform, without music or banners, on December 25, 1914, for the purpose of presenting the children of the Seaman's Orphan and Children's Friend Society Home with a Christmas tree and gifts.

To Bethlehem Commandery, No. 43, to hold a special election at regular conclave in January, to elect a recorder to fill vacancy caused by resignation.

To St. Paul Commandery, No. 40, to appear in full Templar uniform, on Friday, January 15, 1915, for the purpose of holding a Knight Templar ball in the Hotel Wellington and adjoining hall, in North Adams.

To Beauseant Commandery, No. 41, to appear in full Templar uniform, on Monday, January 4, 1915, for the purpose of making a fraternal visit to Jos. Warren Commandery, No. 26, and participating in the work of the evening.

To Gethsemane Commandery, No. 35, to appear in full Templar uniform, on Monday, January 11, 1915, without music or banners, for the purpose of making a fraternal visit to Natick Commandery, No. 33, and giving an exhibition drill.

To Ivanhoe Commandery, No. 46, to appear in full Templar uniform, for the purpose of holding a Knight Templar ball in the town hall at Gardner, Massachusetts, on the evening of February 19, 1915.

To Cambridge Commandery, No. 42, to appear in full Templar uniform, without music or banners, for the purpose of making a fraternal visit to Bethlehem Commandery, No. 43, and taking part in the work of the evening, January 11, 1915.

To Hugh de Payens Commandery, No. 20, to appear in full Templar uniform, on the evening of January 29, 1915, for the purpose of holding a ladies' night in Memorial Hall, in Melrose, Massachusetts.

To William Parkman Commandery, No. 28, to appear in full Templar uniform, without music or banners, for the purpose of making a fraternal visit to Winthrop Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Winthrop, Massachusetts, on Tuesday evening, March 9, 1915.

To Gethsemane Commandery, No. 35, to appear in full Templar uniform, without music or banners, on February 10, 1915, for the purpose of making a fraternal visit to Palestine Commandery, No. 10, and giving an exhibition drill.

To Beauseant Commandery, No. 41, to appear in full Templar uniform, without music or banners, on February 19, 1915, for the purpose of making a fraternal visit to Ivanhoe Commandery, No. 46, and to participate in celebrating their ladies' night and ball.

To Pilgrim Commandery, No. 9, to hold a special election at stated conclave on Wednesday, May 26, 1915, for the purpose of electing a recorder to fill the vacancy caused by death.

To Cambridge Commandery, No. 42, and Bethlehem Commandery, No. 43, to parade in full Templar uniform, with banners and music, for the purpose of making a pilgrimage to Portland, Maine, and vicinity, on May 28–30, in celebrating together the twenty-fifth anniversary of the institution of the Commanderies.

REQUESTS FOR WAIVERS OF JURISDICTIONS GRANTED

December 18, 1914, Palestine Commandery, No. 10, of Chelsea, Massachusetts, requested waiver of jurisdiction from Detroit Commandery, No. 1, and Damascus Commandery, No. 42, of Detroit, Michigan, over Companion Henry Hayden Busby, of that city.

February 2, 1915, Beauseant Commandery, No. 7, of Brattleboro, Vermont, requested waiver of jurisdiction from Northampton Commandery, No. 30, of Northampton, Massachusetts, over Companion Robert W. Mitchell, of Amherst, Massachusetts.

March 16, 1915, Haverhill Commandery, No. 14, of Haverhill, Massachusetts, requested release of jurisdiction from St. George Commandery, of Nashua, New Hampshire, over Companion Eben Monroe Coleman, of Salem, New Hampshire.

REQUESTS FOR COMMANDERIES OF SISTER GRAND JURISDICTIONS TO ENTER THE JURISDICTION OF MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND, GRANTED

To Washington Commandery, No. 1, of Hartford, Connecticut, to enter this Grand jurisdiction for the purpose of making a fraternal visit to Springfield Commandery, No. 6, of Springfield, Massachusetts, and conferring the Order of Malta in full form and ceremony.

REQUESTS TO ENTER OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS GRANTED

To Cambridge Commandery, No. 42, and Bethlehem Commandery, No. 43, to enter the Grand Jurisdictions of New Hampshire and Maine while making pilgrimage to Portland, Maine.

DECISIONS

In November, 1914, my attention was called to a violation of the territorial jurisdiction of "A" Commandery by "B" Commandery in the case of Companion ——————.

From interviews with representatives of the Commanderies interested, and from other investigations, I find the facts to be, briefly stated, as follows:

In 1912 Companion—————— a resident of the city of "C," and a member of —————— Lodge of that city, made application for the Capitular degrees to the R. A. Chapter in the city of "C," but before it came to ballot he asked to withdraw his petition, which request was granted.

On February 5, 1912, two days after registering at the Young Men's Christian Association in the city of "D" as a resident, he applied to the R. A. Chapter in the city of "D" for the degrees conferred in that Chapter, and stated over his signature that he had been a resident of the jurisdiction of said Chapter for six months prior to the date of his application to said Chapter, and on March 4, 1912, he received a clear ballot.

In May, 1912, he petitioned "B" Commandery for the orders of knighthood, stating in his petition and over his signature that he had been a resident of the jurisdiction of "B" Commandery for six months prior to the date of his petition.

On June 11, 1912, the ballot upon his petition was taken and he was elected to receive the orders of knighthood in "B" Commandery, and on December 10, 1912, the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross was conferred upon him by said Commandery.

From this time (December 10, 1912) nothing appears to have been done until September 22, 1914, when "B" Commandery made official request of "A" Commandery for release of jurisdiction over the above-named petitioner at that period at which his petition was granted.

This request was referred by "A" Commandery to a committee, who after a careful investigation reported their findings, substantially as those above enumerated, and recommended that the "whole matter be forwarded to the Grand Commanders forthwith."

After careful consideration, with an endeavor to look at the situation from all sides impartially, I have made the following decision:

Relative to the matter of the violation of jurisdiction of "A"

Commandery by "B" Commandery, in the case of —————— ——————, who was elected to receive the Orders of knighthood in "B" Commandery on June 11, 1912, and did receive the Order of the Red Cross in said Commandery on December 10, 1912, I find:

I. That at the time of his making application to "B" Commandery for the orders of knighthood, said —————— —————— had not been a resident of the jurisdiction of "B" Commandery for the required six months. (See Stat. G. E., Sect. 185.)

II. That at the time of his making application to "B" Commandery he was clearly within the jurisdiction of "A" Commandery.

III. That "A" Commandery had not at that time or since, waived their jurisdiction over the said petitioner.

IV. That the action of "B" Commandery in receiving his petition and conferring upon him the Order of the Red Cross was irregular, and

V. That the said —————— has no standing as a Red Cross knight.

"B" Commandery is hereby ordered to return to said —————— the fee received from him for the orders of knighthood, and to enter, in red ink, across the record of his receiving the Order of the Red Cross the words "Irregularly Conferred." Said "B" Commandery is hereby further ordered to read this decision at the first regular conclave of "B" Commandery after its receipt, and to spread the same in full upon its records.

REQUESTS FOR CONFERRING THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD

November 20, 1914, Berkshire Commandery, No. 22, of Pittsfield, Massachusetts, requested Sheboygan Commandery, No. 32, of Sheboygan, Wisconsin, to confer the orders of the Temple and Malta upon Companion Charles E. Bassett.

February 2, 1915, Beauseant Commandery, No. 8, of Baltimore, Maryland, requested Berkshire Commandery, No. 22, of Pittsfield, Massachusetts, to confer the orders of the Temple and Malta upon Companion Allen E. Dorr.

The foregoing requests have been granted.

During the administration of my predecessor, R.·.E.·.Sir William W. Johnson, a request was received from Henderson Commandery, No. 14, of Kentucky, for the conferring of the orders upon Companion Roger L. Branham, by Boston Commandery, No. 2.

This request was complied with and report has been made to Henderson Commandery, No. 14, through the Grand Commander of Kentucky.

COMMISSIONS

On January 16, 1915, I issued a commission to R.·.E.·.Sir Albert Eugene Boynton, as Grand Representative of this Grand Commandery, near the Grand Commandery of California, in place of R.·.E.·.Sir Frank W. Sumner, deceased.

Owing to the death of Eminent Sir Clinton D. Sellew, Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery of West Virginia, near this Grand Commandery, I recommended to that Grand Body the name of Eminent Sir George H. Grant, of Calvary Commandery, of Providence, Rhode Island, to fill the vacancy.

Eminent Sir Grant has since received his commission, due acknowledgment of which has been made to the Grand Commandery of West Virginia.

INSPECTIONS

As is our usual custom, all the Commanderies in the jurisdiction have been visited and inspected, and the reports of the inspecting officers are very gratifying.

While in some Commanderies, because of the conditions of business in general and the uncertainty of the future, the number of candidates has not been so large as in former years, but the growth of our Order has been healthy and satisfactory. The officers are alive to their duties and are working for the advancement of their individual Commanderies and the Order in general.

All the inspecting officers have made the inspections assigned to them, with a single exception. Our Grand Senior Warden, Eminent Sir William J. Bolton, for satisfactory business reasons, was prevented from making the inspection of Cœur de Lion Commandery of Charlestown. Your Grand Commander assumed this pleasant duty, and now reports a most satisfactory inspection, with a record number of Sir Knights in uniform. The courtesy and hospitality for which this Commandery is noted was extended to me and the large suite which accompanied me, and the occasion was one of much pleasure to all.

SEMI-CENTENNIALS

WINSLOW LEWIS COMMANDERY

On March 3, 1915, the fraters of Winslow Lewis Commandery of Salem, Massachusetts, celebrated in an appropriate manner the fiftieth anniversary of the formation of that body. Upon their arrival in Salem your Right Eminent Grand Commander, with other invited guests, were received at the railroad station and escorted to the Salem Club, where a bountiful dinner was served, at which were present the officers and Past Commanders of Winslow Lewis Commandery, with their guests.

After the dinner all repaired to the asylum, where, following the opening of the Commandery, the Grand officers and guests were formally received.

The Eminent Commander, Eminent Sir George B. Farrington, after a few well-chosen words of welcome, introduced the historian, Eminent Sir John M. Raymond, who read a most scholarly and interesting history of the Commandery from its inception to the present time, giving much attention to Dr. Winslow Lewis, for whom the Commandery was named, and General William Sutton, the first Eminent Commander, both of whom during their long lives had been very prominently identified with all branches of Masonry in Massachusetts.

Following this able historical address congratulatory remarks were made by your Grand Commander, Deputy Grand Commander V.·.E.·.Sir Frederic I. Dana, and Past Grand Commanders R.·.E.·.Sirs Freeman C. Hersey and J. Albert Blake, the two last Right Eminent Sirs being Past Commanders of Winslow Lewis Commandery. After the close of the Commandery an elaborate banquet was served and enjoyed by all the Sir Knights present.

HUGH DE PAYENS COMMANDERY

The celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of Hugh de Payens Commandery, of Melrose, Massachusetts, occurred at the asylum of that Commandery on Saturday, March 27, 1915.

The exercises opened with an elaborate banquet, at which were present about three hundred Sir Knights of Hugh de Payens, and many guests.

At the conclusion of the banquet the Commander, Eminent Sir Percy W. Witherell, extended a hearty and knightly greeting to members and guests, and introduced the historian, Eminent Sir Oliver A. Roberts, Past Commander.

The history presented by Eminent Sir Roberts was most interesting and instructive and commanded the closest attention of the Sir Knights for about an hour.

The Eminent Commander then called for Sir Knight Charles C. Dike and Sir Knight Eugene H. Bowditch, two of the three living charter members of the Commandery. After a few words of congratulation, he presented them with diplomas, in recognition of the fact that they had been identified with the Commandery from its inception. Both Sir Knights responded with much feeling, and expressed their satisfaction for the part they had taken in launching this splendid Commandery upon the sea of Templary.

Beautiful bouquets of violets were presented to the following named Sir Knights, who had reached the age of fourscore years and more, in token of appreciation of their loyalty and support to the Commandery for many years, and in testimony of the love and esteem in which they are held by the Sir Knights of Hugh de Payens: Sir Knight Charles C. Dike, aged eighty-eight years, Sir Knight Joseph McIntyre, aged eighty-four years, Eminent Sir Smith B. Harrington, Past Commander, aged eighty-three years, Sir Knight Joel C. Page, aged eighty-three years, Sir Knight Levi S. Gould, aged eighty-one years, Sir Knight T. P. Woodbury, aged eighty-one years, and Sir Knight William H. Gale, who was the fourth candidate to receive the orders in Hugh de Payens Commandery, aged seventy-seven years. All these Sir Knights responded in a fitting and pleasing manner, expressing their love and loyalty for the Commandery and the Sir Knights.

R.∴E.∴Sir Ralph W. Crockett, Grand Commander of Maine, made a scholarly and interesting address upon Templar Masonry and extended the greetings and felicitations of the fraters of that Grand Jurisdiction.

Short congratulatory addresses were made by your Right Eminent Grand Commander, Most Excellent Eugene A. Holton, Grand High Priest of the Grand R. A. Chapter of Massachusetts, and by Most Illustrious William H. L. Odell, Grand Master of the Grand Council, R. & S. M., of Massachusetts.

Thus closed a most happy event in the history of Hugh de Payens Commandery and looking back upon the years that have gone with satisfaction, she faces the future with courage, resolved to labor for the uplift of mankind and the advancement of Templar Masonry.

JERUSALEM COMMANDERY

The exercises commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of the formation of Jerusalem Commandery were held in the asylum of that Commandery on Thursday, May 13, 1915. Following a bountiful banquet an informal reception was tendered to the Right Eminent Grand Commander and the officers of the Grand Commandery, when each Sir Knight present extended his personal greetings to the visitors.

Repairing to the asylum of the Commandery the Commander, Eminent Sir Frank H. Foss, extended a cordial and hearty greeting to members and visitors, and introduced your Right Eminent Grand Commander, who responded briefly to the knightly welcome.

Sir Knight Albert A. Gordon, Jr., Generalissimo and Acting Commander of Worcester County Commandery, extended the greetings and felicitations of the "mother" of Jerusalem Commandery, and Eminent Sir Merrill W. Allen, Commander of Ivanhoe Commandery, responded for the "daughter," Jerusalem Commandery being the offspring of Worcester County Commandery and Ivanhoe the child of Jerusalem.

Speaking for Jerusalem Commandery, Eminent Sir Joseph G. Edgerly, Past Commander and Past Grand Standard Bearer, made an eloquent and soul-stirring address, setting forth the magnificent principles of our Order and their application to our daily life.

An interesting and detailed history of the Commandery was then read by Sir Knight Frederick A. Currier, of Jerusalem Commandery, who was followed by Eminent Sir Frederick W. Hamilton, D.D., LL.D., Associate Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, who made an address on "Templar Masonry." Music was furnished throughout the exercises by the Schubert Quartette of Boston.

Accompanying the Right Eminent Grand Commander were R.∴E.∴Sir William H. H. Soule, Past Grand Commander, R.∴E.∴Sir Frank L. Nagle, Past Grand Commander, E.∴Sir Asa C. Jewett, Grand Lecturer, and E.∴Sir Olin D. Dickerman, Grand Lecturer.

The affair was a great success and marks an important event in the history of Jerusalem Commandery.

SOCIAL

Your Grand Commander has been honored with invitations almost without number to be the guest of Commanderies upon the occasion of all sorts of social events.

While my inclination might be to accept all, to do so would have been a physical impossibility. Still, I none the less appreciate the spirit of the courtesies, and in this public manner express my thanks for them all. Of the many that I did accept I will speak of but one — the reception tendered to R.∴E.∴Sir William H. H. Soule, Past Grand Commander, at the Copley Plaza, upon the occasion of the seventy-fifth anniversary of his birth.

This was a memorable occasion to every one of the three hundred Sir Knights and brothers who were present, as well as to the honored guest, and each vied with the other in extending to him their hearty greetings and best wishes for continued health and happiness.

Many testimonials of flowers, letters from those who were unable to be present, and gifts of other sort, evidenced the high regard and esteem in which R.·.E.·.Sir Soule is held by the fraternity throughout this broad land, and recognize his long life of activity and noble deeds. May he live many years to enjoy the fruits of his labors.

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts, Most Worshipful Melvin M. Johnson, Grand Master; the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, Most Excellent Eugene A. Holton, Grand High Priest, and the Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of Massachusetts, Most Illustrious William H. L. Odell, Grand Master, have all extended the courtesies of fraternity and hospitality, and while I was unable for unavoidable reasons to accept, save in the case of the Grand Chapter, I appreciate the honor done to the Order of Knights Templars, and rejoice in the harmony existing among the several branches of Masonry in this grand old jurisdiction.

CONCLUSION

In closing this report I want to express my heartfelt thanks to the Commanderies and individual Sir Knights for the courtesy and knightly hospitality which has been extended to me at all times, and especially do I want to acknowledge my obligations to the officers of the Grand Commandery and Past Grand Commanders, for their loyal support and kindly advice so cheerfully given, and for their assistance in making the labors of my office as Grand Commander a pleasure.

WALTER F. MEDDING,
Grand Commander.

On motion of R.·.E.·.Sir Freeman C. Hersey it was ordered that the address be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

In Grand Commandery, Semi-Annual Conclave,
Providence, Rhode Island, May 27, 1915.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence have duly considered the annual address of R.·.E.·.Grand Commander Johnson and submit herewith their report.

We find that all the dispensations granted were in accordance with Templar law and we recommend their approval.

We also approve of the decision given to the request of Joseph Warren Commandery for a dispensation permitting them to ballot for a candidate, the same being contrary to the Constitution of the Grand Encampment of the United States.

We tender felicitations to R.·.E.·.Grand Commander Johnson for his able and successful administration of the affairs of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Respectfully submitted,

J. ALBERT BLAKE,
For the Committee.

On motion the report of the committee was accepted and ordered placed on file.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS

May 20, 1915.

To Grand Commandery:

Your Committee on By-laws has the honor to report that amendments to the by-laws of the following Commanderies have been approved:

Saint Omer, *in re* annual conclave.
Ivanhoe, *in re* permanent fund and time of conclave.
DeMolay, *in re* fees for affiliation.
Sutton, *in re* salary for Treasurer and Secretary.
Woonsocket, *in re* dues and life membership.

The by-laws of William Parkman Commandery have been disapproved.

An amendment to the by-laws of South Shore Commandery *in re* time of conclave disapproved.

WALTER W. BURNHAM,
DANA MALONE,
S. EVERETT TINKHAM,
Committee on By-laws.

A motion to accept and adopt the report of the committee was amended by Eminent Sir Gardner R. P. Barker, that that part referring to the by-laws of South Shore Commandery be not approved.

A substitute motion was offered by Eminent Sir Merrill W. Allen, of Ivanhoe Commandery, that that part of the report relating to the by-laws of Ivanhoe Commandery and South Shore Commandery be not approved, and that the by-laws of these Commanderies be approved as submitted.

The substitute motion having been accepted by Eminent Sir Barker, upon vote the substitute motion was declared adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS, TO WHOM WAS REFERRED THE QUESTION OF PROCEDURE RELATIVE TO ARTICLE C, SECTION 112, OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT AND SECTION 11 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY.

The committee presented the following report:

To Grand Commandery:

The Committee on Revision of Constitution and By-laws, to whom was referred the question of procedure under Section 112, Constitution of the Grand Encampment, and Section 11, Constitution of the Grand Commandery, have the honor to recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That in the event of a violation of said Section 112, Constitution of the Grand Encampment, and Section 11, Constitution of the Grand Commandery, the Commander of the offended Commandery shall immediately notify the Grand Commander of such offense by written notification attested by its Recorder; the Grand Commander shall discipline such offending Commandery and shall require it to pay over forthwith to such offended Commandery the fees received from such sojourner.

As to the question of procedure under Sections 184 and 185, Statutes of the Grand Encampment, and Section 10, Constitution of the Grand Commandery, it is apparent that all these sections refer to *the Commandery having jurisdiction*, not to Commanderies having jurisdiction.

Your committee therefore recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Commandery which desires waiver for a sojourner resident of a jurisdiction held concurrently by two or more Commanderies, shall apply for such waiver to one of such Commanderies; the concurrent right of such other Commandery or Commanderies shall thereupon cease.

Your committee further recommends that copies of these resolutions be printed in form suitable to be inserted between pages 20 and 21 of the Constitution of the Grand Commandery, that the words "on demand" in the eighth line of said Section 11, be stricken out, as said words conflict with the language and intent of said Section 112 of the Constitution of Grand Encampment; that the words, "Title XXXV" and the numeral "1" on pages 24 and 25 of the Constitution of the Grand Commandery, be stricken out, and the numerals "189" be substituted therefor, so that the lines shall read ". . . the *penalty of Section* 189 . . ." and that said resolutions, words, and numerals be so inserted.

Section 271, Statutes of the Grand Encampment, having been repealed (Proceedings G. E. 1913, p. 231, and Report on Correspondence, Massachusetts and Rhode Island, p. 34, 1914), and a new Section 271 substituted therefor, your committee further recommends that said new Section 271 be printed in form suitable to be inserted in the place of former Section 271, between pages 60 and 61 of the Statutes of the Grand Encampment, and that said new Section 271 be so inserted; that the word "and" in the second line of page 39, Resolves, etc., be stricken out, and the word "or" be substituted therefor between the words Commander and Commandery, to agree with Section 129, Statutes of the Grand Encampment; that item 1, Candidates, page 40, Resolves, etc., be stricken out, and the following item 1 be substituted therefor:

> 1. Sections 8 and 10, Constitution of Grand Commandery, apply not only to a rejected candidate, but also to an elected candidate who has failed to present himself to receive the Orders. (Sects. 139 and 154, Stat. G. E.)

and that said new item be printed in form suitable to be inserted between pages 40 and 41 of said Resolves, etc., and that said new item 1 be so inserted.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER W. BURNHAM,
DANA MALONE,
EDWARD W. WOODWARD,
CHAS. A. PEABODY,
B. W. ROWELL,
Committee.

On motion of V∴ E∴ Sir F. I. Dana the report of this committee was referred to the Annual Conclave in October next, and it was ordered that the report of the committee be printed in full and borne upon the notice of the Annual Conclave.

RESOLUTION

The following resolution was offered by Eminent Sir Gardner R. P. Barker, of South Shore Commandery:

Resolved, That a full roster of the members of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, together with the post office address of each, be published yearly, in order of seniority, under the name of the Commandery in which they are at present members, in its printed proceedings, and be it also

Resolved, That the Grand Recorder be hereby instructed to make a special endeavor to have the said roster as correct as possible up to the date of going to press on the Proceedings, subject to the provisions of Section 5, Article I, of the Grand Constitution, relative to the Committee on Printing.

On motion that the same be adopted it was so ordered.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE DAY

The Committee of the Day, Eminent Sir George H. Grant, Eminent Sir Arthur W. Dennis, and Eminent Sir Clayton A. Ballou, reported that dinner would be served at Rocky Point, and that steamer would leave the wharf immediately after adjournment.

The Right Eminent Grand Commander called upon V∴ E∴ Sir and Rev. Henry R. Freeman, Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment of the United States, requesting him to say a few words to the assembled fraters, whereupon V∴ E∴ Sir Freeman accepted the invitation and addressed the fraters present, his words containing much of interest and being greatly enjoyed by all present. At the conclusion he was heartily applauded.

All the Commanderies in the jurisdiction were represented at this Semi-Annual Conclave as follows:

Name of Commandery	No. of Commandery	Location of Commandery
St. Johns	1	Providence, R. I.
Boston	2	Boston, Mass.
Newburyport	3	Newburyport, Mass.
Washington	4	Newport, R.I.
Worcester County	5	Worcester, Mass.
Springfield	6	Springfield, Mass.
De Molay	7	Boston, Mass.
Holy Sepulchre	8	Pawtucket, R.I.
Pilgrim	9	Lowell, Mass.
Palestine	10	Chelsea, Mass.
Milford	11	Milford, Mass.
St. Bernard	12	Boston, Mass.
Calvary	13	Providence, R.I.
Haverhill	14	Haverhill, Mass.
Old Colony	15	Abington, Mass.
Sutton	16	New Bedford, Mass.
Bethany	17	Lawrence, Mass.
Winslow Lewis	18	Salem, Mass.
Jerusalem	19	Fitchburg, Mass.
Hugh de Payens	20	Melrose, Mass.
St. Omer	21	Dorchester, Mass.
Berkshire	22	Pittsfield, Mass.
Connecticut Valley	23	Greenfield, Mass.
Woonsocket	24	Woonsocket, R.I.
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	Fall River, Mass.
Joseph Warren	26	Roxbury, Mass.
Narragansett	27	Westerly, R.I.
William Parkman	28	East Boston, Mass.
Bristol	29	Attleboro, Mass.
Northampton	30	Northampton, Mass.
South Shore	31	East Weymouth, Mass.
Trinity	32	Hudson, Mass.
Natick	33	Natick, Mass.
Cœur de Lion	34	Charlestown, Mass.
Gethsemane	35	Newtonville, Mass.
Olivet	36	Lynn, Mass.
Athol	37	Athol, Mass.
Bay State	38	Brockton, Mass.
Cyprus	39	Hyde Park, Mass.
St. Paul	40	North Adams, Mass.
Beauseant	41	Malden, Mass.
Cambridge	42	Cambridge, Mass.
Bethlehem	43	Gloucester, Mass.
St. George	44	Beverly, Mass.
Orange	45	Orange, Mass.
Ivanhoe	46	Gardner, Mass.
Quincy	47	Quincy, Mass.

There being no further business the conclave was declared closed and Grand Commandery declared adjourned at one o'clock P. M.

Walter F. Medding
Grand Commander.

Attest:

B. W. Rowell
Grand Recorder

THE ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH ANNUAL CONCLAVE

OF THE

Grand Commandery of Knights Templars

AND APPENDANT ORDERS

OF

MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

THE One Hundred and Tenth Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of the States of Massachusetts and Rhode Island assembled in the Asylum (Ionic Hall) in Masonic Temple, corner of Tremont and Boylston Streets, in the city of Boston, Mass., Tuesday, October 26, A.D. 1915, A.O. 797, at 10.45 o'clock in the forenoon.

GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT

R.∴E.∴Sir Walter F. Medding	Grand Commander
V.∴E.∴Sir Frederick I. Dana	Deputy Grand Commander
E.∴Sir Samuel D. Sherwood	Grand Generalissimo
E.∴Sir William H. Emerson	Grand Captain General
E.∴Sir William J. Bolton	Grand Senior Warden
E.∴Sir Everett C. Benton	Grand Junior Warden
E.∴Sir and Rev. R. Perry Bush	Grand Prelate
E.∴Sir Frederick W. Hamilton, D.D., LL.D.,	Grand Associate Prelate
R.∴E.∴Sir E. Bentley Young	Grand Treasurer
E.∴Sir Benjamin W. Rowell	Grand Recorder
E.∴Sir Harry G. Pollard	Grand Standard Bearer
E.∴Sir Charles R. Hunt	Grand Sword Bearer

E∴Sir Charles E. Prior	Grand Warder
E∴Sir Henry C. Dexter	Grand Captain of the Guard
E∴Sir James S. Blake	Grand Lecturers
E∴Sir J. Fred Parker	
E∴Sir Lewis M. Woodbridge	
E∴Sir Asa C. Jewett	
E∴Sir Clarence M. Dunbar	
E∴Sir Olin D. Dickerman	
E∴Sir William E. Wilcox	Grand Sentinel

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS PRESENT

R∴E∴Sir John P. Sanborn
R∴E∴Sir William H. H. Soule
R∴E∴Sir Freeman C. Hersey
R∴E∴Sir Dana J. Flanders
R∴E∴Sir Edwin A. Blodgett
R∴E∴Sir E. Bentley Young
R∴E∴Sir Charles I. Litchfield
R∴E∴Sir Walter W. Burnham
R∴E∴Sir J. Albert Blake
R∴E∴Sir Frank L. Nagle
R∴E∴Sir William W. Johnson

The Committee on Credentials reported that a constitutional number of subordinates were represented, whereupon the R∴E∴Grand Commander proceeded to open the Grand Commandery in ample form, assisted by the other Grand Officers and members present, the Sir Knights being led in their devotions by E∴Sir R. Perry Bush, D.D., Grand Prelate; after which the R∴E∴Grand Commander, Walter F. Medding, declared the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island duly opened in ample form and ready for the despatch of business.

RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

The Grand Warder having been instructed to retire and ascertain if there were in waiting any distinguished visitors, presently re-entered the asylum and reported that there was in waiting in an adjoining apartment V∴E∴Sir Henry R. Freeman, Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment of the United States and Representative of the Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, M∴E∴Sir Lee S. Smith.

R∴E∴Grand Commander Medding then appointed as a committee to retire and escort the distinguished frater into the asylum, all the Past Grand Commanders present, with the C∴E∴Deputy Grand Commander acting as chairman of the delegation.

The committee having retired presently re-entered the asylum, having in charge V∴E∴Sir Freeman, who was duly presented to the R∴E∴Grand Commander and most cordially welcomed.

Accompanying V∴E∴Sir Freeman was R∴E∴Sir Clayton J. Farrington, Past Grand Commander of Maine, who also received a cordial welcome by the Grand Commander.

RECORDS OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH SEMI-ANNUAL CONCLAVE

On motion the reading of the records of the Semi-annual Conclave of 1915 were dispensed with.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

Boston, October 26, 1914.

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following Sir Knights entitled to seats in this Grand Commandery have been registered as being present at this conclave.

Those marked by * are present; those marked ** represented by proxy.

Saint John's, No. 1

*E∴C∴James H. Thurston	42 Westminster St., Providence, R. I.
*Gen. Norris G. Abbott	107 Providence St., Providence, R. I.
C∴G∴Edgar C. Lakey	239 Sackett St., Providence, R. I.
E∴Sir Albert E. Cushman	97 Niagara St., Providence, R. I.
*E∴Sir Robert E. Dwelly	Hanover, Mass.
E∴Sir Newton D. Arnold	231 S. Main St., Providence, R. I.
E∴Sir Walter B. Vincent	48 Custom House St., Providence, R. I.
E∴Sir William E. Husband	State House, Providence, R. I.
E∴Sir George H. Rhodes	Taunton, Mass.
R∴E∴Sir George L. Shepley	17 Custom House St., Providence, R. I.
E∴Sir William H. Perry	P. O. Box 1277, Providence, R. I.
E∴Sir Forrest A. Peck	190 Magnolia St., Auburn, R. I.
E∴Sir Andrew B. Eddy	P. O. Box 1391, Providence, R. I.

E∴Sir Horace S. Richardson	94 Point St., Providence, R. I.
E∴Sir Charles C. Newhall	R.F.D. N. Scituate, R. I.
*R∴E∴Sir Walter W. Burnham	City Hall, Providence, R. I.
E∴Sir Edward M. Clarke	18 Hart St., Providence, R. I.
E∴Sir Henry A. Carpenter	P. O. Box 1435, Providence, R. I.
*E∴Sir J. Fred Parker	State House, Providence, R. I.
E∴Sir Edwin G. Penniman	Fort William, Ontario
E∴Sir Joseph P. Burlingame	P. O. Box 153, Providence, R. I.
E∴Sir Waldo M. Place	R. I. Safe Deposit Co., Providence, R. I.
*E∴Sir Clayton A. Ballou	37 Weybosset St., Providence, R. I.
E∴Sir Edward I. Mulchahey	95 Chestnut St., Providence, R. I.
*E∴Sir John A. Tillotson	The Boulders, Wayne, Pa.
E∴Sir John R. Dennis	P. O. Box 1524, Providence, R. I.
*E∴Sir Frank W. Lockwood	20 Market Sq., Providence, R. I.
*E∴Sir William L. Phillips	P. O. Box 1435, Providence, R. I.
E∴Sir Arthur S. Vaughn	1153 Westminster St., Providence, R. I.

Boston, No. 2

*E∴C∴Joseph T. Paul	419 Boylston St., Boston, Mass.
Gen∴Fred W. Abbott	101 S. Market St., Boston, Mass.
*C∴G∴George U. Bauer	101 Broadway Extension, Boston, Mass.
*E∴Sir Frederick T. Comee	Kensington Chambers, Cambridge, Mass.
*E∴Sir James M. Gleason	P. O. Box 1683, Boston, Mass.
*E∴Sir Eugene A. Holton	127 Tremont St., Boston, Mass.
E∴Sir Leonard B. Nichols	101 Chestnut St., Boston, Mass.
*R∴E∴Sir Charles I. Litchfield	175 Tremont St., Boston, Mass.
*E∴Sir Henry H. Litchfield	175 Tremont St., Boston, Mass.
E∴Sir William B. Lawrence	7 Rural Ave., Medford, Mass.
*E∴Sir J. Gilman Waite	209 Masonic Temple, Boston, Mass.
E∴Sir John H. Bowker	900 Mass. Ave., Cambridge, Mass.
E∴Sir Rinaldo B. Richardson	Plymouth Road, Malden, Mass.
E∴Sir Richard A. Atwood	18 Post Office Sq., Boston, Mass.
E∴Sir Charles S. Damrell	9th Floor, City Hall Annex, Boston, Mass.
*E∴Sir James S. Blake	376 Washington St., Boston, Mass.
E∴Sir Jesse E. Ames	70 S. Market St., Boston, Mass.
*E∴Sir Leonard W. Ross	723 Harvard St., Mattapan, Mass.
E∴Sir Frederick C. Graves	Crescent St., Waltham, Mass.

Newburyport, No. 3

*E∴C∴Samuel L. Porter	Amesbury, Mass.
*Gen∴James H. Johnston	Newburyport, Mass.
*C∴G∴Irving S. Butler	Newburyport, Mass.
*E∴Sir William R. Johnson	Newburyport, Mass.
E∴Sir Green Davis	Newburyport, Mass.
E∴Sir Moses Brown	Newburyport, Mass.
E∴Sir Orrin J. Gurney	Newburyport, Mass.
*E∴Sir Charles F. Worthen	1325 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, Mass.
E∴Sir John E. McCusker	Newburyport, Mass.
*E∴Sir Benjamin J. Warton	Newburyport, Mass.
E∴Sir William G. Fisher	Newburyport, Mass.
*E∴Sir George E. Collins	Amesbury, Mass.
E∴Sir Benjamin H. Young	Amesbury, Mass.
E∴Sir Benjamin Pearson	Byfield, Mass.
E∴Sir Henry W. Little	Newburyport, Mass.
E∴Sir Joseph N. Dummer	Rowley, Mass.

Washington, No. 4

*E∴C∴Karl Bostel	37 Annandale Road, Newport, R. I.
Gen∴Herbert W. Smith	4 Channing St., Newport, R. I.
C∴G∴Edward T. Bosworth, 2d	35 Spring St., Newport, R. I.
*R∴E∴Sir John P. Sanborn	265 Broadway, Newport, R. I.
*E∴Sir John H. Wetherell	75 Kay St., Newport, R. I.
E∴Sir Joseph W. Sampson	4 Ayrault St., Newport, R. I.
E∴Sir Henry C. Stevens, Jr.	50 Ayrault St., Newport, R. I.
E∴Sir William B. Scott	4 Gibbs Ave., Newport, R. I.
E∴Sir Duncan McLean	16 Cranston Ave., Newport, R. I.
E∴Sir Thatcher T. Bowler	14 Friendship St., Newport, R. I.
E∴Sir Joseph Gibson	178 Bliss Road, Newport, R. I.
E∴Sir Edward G. Hayward	221 Cranston St., Providence, R. I.
E∴Sir William H. Langley	7 Hope St., Newport, R. I.
E∴Sir William H. Walcott	8 Park St., Newport, R. I.
E∴Sir Elbert A. Sisson	Melville Station, Newport, R. I.
E∴Sir Robert W. Curry	47 Washington St., Newport, R. I.
E∴Sir Clark Burdick	11 Kay St., Newport, R. I.
E∴Sir Robert Frame	3 Summer St., Newport, R. I.
*E∴Sir Robert S. Burlingame	46 Everett St., Newport, R. I.
*E∴Sir James I. Shepley	102 Warner St., Newport, R. I.
*E∴Sir Henry S. Hendy	98 Mill St., Newport, R. I.

Worcester County, No. 5

E∴C∴Albert A. Gordon, Jr.	25 Sagamore Road, Worcester, Mass.
Gen∴Wilton W. Dadmun	P. O. Box 1198, Worcester, Mass.
C∴G∴Herbert N. Leach	109 Foster St., Worcester, Mass.
E∴Sir Francis A. Harrington	18 Franklin St., Worcester, Mass.
E∴Sir Charles A. Peabody	Worcester, Mass.
E∴Sir Phineas L. Rider	317 Main St., Worcester, Mass.
E∴Sir Robert W. Clifford	306 Main St., Worcester, Mass.
E∴Sir Arthur H. Burton	City Hall, Worcester, Mass.

*R∴E∴Sir William W. Johnson . . . 400 Main St., Worcester, Mass.
E∴Sir Edward M. Woodward . . . 735 Pleasant St., Worcester, Mass.
E∴Sir Charles A. Harrington . . . 18 Franklin St., Worcester, Mass.
*E∴Sir William W. Brown . . . . . P. O. Box 84, Worcester, Mass.
*E∴Sir Matthew Gault . . . . City Hall, Worcester, Mass.
E∴Sir Fred M. Sampson . . . . . . 16 Crystal St., Worcester, Mass.
E∴Sir Henry A. Knight . . . . City Hall, Worcester, Mass.
E∴Sir Arthur B. Chapin . . . . . . 330 Main St., Worcester, Mass.
E∴Sir William S. Dadmun . . . . . P. O. Box 578, Worcester, Mass.
E∴Sir Henry L. Green . . . . Paxton, Mass.
E∴Sir Frank C. Harrington . . . . 18 Franklin St., Worcester, Mass.
E∴Sir Austin A. Heath . . . . . 18 Franklin St., Worcester, Mass.

Springfield, No. 6

E∴C∴Harold S. Cooke . . . . Box 1235, Springfield, Mass.
Gen∴Franklin A. Latimer . . . . 1310 Main St., Springfield, Mass.
C∴G∴Dwight H. Keyes . . . . . . 171 Pine St., Springfield, Mass.
R∴E∴Sir Edward P. Chapin . . R.F.D. No. 4, West Brattleboro, Vt.
E∴Sir Charles C. Spellman . Court Sq. Thea. Bldg., Springfield, Mass.
E∴Sir Orthello K. Merrill . . . . Box 845, Springfield, Mass.
E∴Sir Thomas T. Davee . . . . . . 761 State St., Springfield, Mass.
E∴Sir Edmund P. Kendrick . . . 476 Main St., Springfield, Mass.
E∴Sir G. Frank Adams . . Chicopee Natl. Bank, Springfield, Mass.
E∴Sir George A. Spooner . . . . . 409 Union St., Springfield, Mass.
E∴Sir Henrie A. Prouty . . . . . 72 Harvard St., Springfield, Mass.
*R∴E∴Sir Edwin A. Blodgett . . 10 Ingraham Ter., Springfield, Mass.
*E∴Sir Samuel D. Sherwood . . . . . 307 Main St., Springfield, Mass.
E∴Sir Thomas C. Hawks . . . . . . 76 Byers St., Springfield, Mass.
E∴Sir Charles W. Scott . . . . Springfield, Mass.
E∴Sir Robert F. Warren . . . . 31 Hampden St., Springfield, Mass.
E∴Sir Charles F. Spellman . Court Sq. Thea. Bldg., Springfield, Mass.
E∴Sir Albert E. Taylor . . . . Chicopee Falls, Mass.
E∴Sir Fred H. Weston . . . . 258 Main St., Springfield, Mass.
*E∴Sir Frank D. Fuller . . . . . 41 Thompson St., Springfield, Mass.
E∴Sir Ralph N. Fowler . . . . 131 Princeton St., Springfield, Mass.
E∴Sir Frank O. Hartwell . . . . Box 1454, Springfield, Mass.
E∴Sir Ralph L. Munn . . . . 294 St. James Ave., Springfield, Mass.
E∴Sir Albert E. Stewart . . . . Box 917, Springfield, Mass.

De Molay, No. 7

*E∴C∴Almon B. Cilley . . . . 101 Tremont St., Boston, Mass.
*Gen∴Clarence E. Burleigh . . . . 37 Kenwood St., Brookline, Mass.
*C∴G∴George T. Everett . . . . . 55 Commercial St., Boston, Mass.
E∴Sir Henry G. Jordan . . . . Hingham Centre, Mass.

E∴Sir Edwin B. Holmes . . . . . 600 Atlantic Ave., Boston, Mass.
*E∴Sir Frank W. Mead . . . . 53 State St., Boston, Mass.
E∴Sir Edward L. Rugg . . . . 172 High St., Boston, Mass.
E∴Sir Henry K. Dunton . . . . 581 W. 180th St., New York, N. Y.
E∴Sir Oscar A. Shepard . . . . . 83 Commercial St., Boston, Mass.
E∴Sir Charles T. C. Whitcomb . . . . 81 Ash St., Brockton, Mass.
*E∴Sir Isaac Chase . . . . . . 47 Trowbridge St., Cambridge, Mass.
*E∴Sir Hammond B. Hazelwood . 341 Washington St., Brighton, Mass.
*E∴Sir John W. Crooks . . . . 110 Tremont St., Boston, Mass.
*E∴Sir Roland O. Lamb . . . . . . 178 Devonshire St., Boston, Mass.
*E∴Sir Edwin S. Woodbury . . . 613 Walnut St., Newtonville, Mass.
*E∴Sir Charles W. Kidder . . . 30 Huntington Ave., Boston, Mass.
*E∴Sir Edgar W. Evans . . 37 Claremont St., W. Somerville, Mass.
*E∴Sir Edward E. Jameson . . . . . 176 Federal St., Boston, Mass.
*E∴Sir William M. Farrington . . . . 56 Harvard Ave., Allston, Mass.

Holy Sepulchre, No. 8

*E∴C∴Henry W. Taylor . . . . . 125 Spring St., Pawtucket, R. I.
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*E∴Sir George S. Sinnicks . . . . Manchester, Mass.
*E∴Sir J. Ellis Nightingale . . . . . . 156 High St., Danvers, Mass.
E∴Sir Frank O. Staples . . . . 4 Water St., Danvers, Mass.

Orange, No. 45

*E∴C∴Percy J. King . . . . 12 Howe St., Orange, Mass.
*Gen∴Allen E. Hastings . . . . . 176 W. Main St., Orange, Mass.
C∴G∴Fred S. Weymouth . . . . . 41 N. Main St., Orange, Mass.
E∴Sir Henry A. Powers . . . . 20 Bacon St., Orange, Mass.
E∴Sir George A. Drake . . . . . . 35 Congress St., Orange, Mass.
*E∴Sir Warren M. King . . . . Northampton, Mass.
E∴Sir George F. Smith . . . . 73 Adams St., Orange, Mass.
*E∴Sir Dexter L. Crandall . . . . Orange, Mass.
E∴Sir Fred H. Train . . . . 36 Water St., Orange, Mass.
E∴Sir Arthur J. Berry . . . . Athol, Mass.
E∴Sir Arlan M. Spencer . . . . . . 34 W. Main St., Orange, Mass.
E∴Sir Edwin R. Gray . . . . 53 Central St., Orange, Mass.
*E∴Sir Leon H. Rogers . . . . 14 E. Main St., Orange, Mass.
*E∴Sir Harold W. Baker . . . . . . 102 Cheney St., Orange, Mass.

Ivanhoe, No. 46

E∴C∴Frank B. Edgell . . . . 49 Elm St., Gardner, Mass.
*Gen∴Henry F. Howe . . . . 27 Green St., Gardner, Mass.
C∴G∴J. Myron Moore . . . . . . 35 Glazier St., Gardner, Mass.
E∴Sir John D. Edgell . . . . 98 Elm St., Gardner, Mass.
E∴Sir Charles A. Cowee . . . . 41 Edgell St., Gardner, Mass.
E∴Sir Fred L. Butler . . . . 60 School St., Gardner, Mass.
E∴Sir Charles N. Edgell . . . . 2 Cross St., Gardner, Mass.
E∴Sir Charles H. Hartshorn . . . . . Reservoir St., Gardner, Mass.
*E∴Sir Merrill W. Allen . . . . . 52 Westford St., Gardner, Mass.

Quincy, No. 47

*E∴C∴John Morgan . . . . . . 23 Standish Ave., Wollaston, Mass.
Gen∴Otis B. Oakman . . . . . Thayer Academy, Braintree, Mass.
*C∴G∴Edward H. Bushnell . . . 566 Washington St., Quincy, Mass.
*E∴C∴Henry P. Furnald . . . . Newcomb St., Quincy, Mass.
E∴Sir Walter E. Piper . . . . 206 Centre St., Quincy, Mass.
E∴Sir Albert W. Fay . . . . . 345 Newport Ave., Wollaston, Mass.
*E∴Sir Arthur W. Stetson . . . . . . Washington St., Quincy, Mass.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH H. POTTER,
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Committee

REPORT OF THE GRAND RECORDER FOR 1915

BOSTON, October 26, 1915.

To the R.·.E.·.Grand Commander, Officers, and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

Your Grand Recorder respectfully submits the following annual report of the transactions of his office for the year ending date:

Twenty days after the close of the Annual Conclave of 1914 the Proceedings were printed and distributed as follows:

One copy was sent by mail to the address of each member of this Grand Commandery, viz., eight hundred and seven copies; one copy to each Recorder of subordinate Commanderies, viz., forty-seven copies; three copies to the Grand Recorders of sister Grand Commanderies, and three copies to the Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment of the United States, also one copy to the public libraries of the State and nation.

ANNUAL RETURNS OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT

The annual returns of this Grand Commandery to the Grand Encampment of the United States, together with the annual tax due from this Grand Commandery, amounting to $908.60, were forwarded to the Grand Recorder, E.·.Sir Frank H. Johnson, May 18, 1915, and the receipt of the same has been duly acknowledged.

ARCHIVES

The archives of this Grand Commandery in the library room of the office of your Grand Recorder are in excellent condition, and have been increased during the year by Proceedings from sister Grand Commanderies, and now contain six hundred and eighty-seven bound volumes, and more than four thousand pamphlets.

RETURNS OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDERIES

The annual returns of the subordinate Commanderies in this jurisdiction were all received in constitutional time.

STATISTICS

The following tabulated statement is the work of the Templar year ending September 30, 1915, and shows the following results:

Gains	
Knighted	669
Affiliated	47
Restored	4
Total gains	720
Losses	
Dimitted	132
Suspended	107
Expelled	0
Died	343
Total losses	582
Making a gain for the year of	138
The membership is now	18,385

TEMPLARS IN THE UNITED STATES AND THE WORLD

The whole number of Templars in the United States is, as compiled from the latest reports, 236,741, and in the world, 250,914.

From these tables it will be found that the sources of gains and losses have been as follows:

Gains	
Knighted	14,553
Affiliated	1,872
Restored	524
Total gains	16,949

Losses

Dimitted	2,973
Suspended	2,963
Expelled	35
Died	3,813
Total losses	9,784
Making a net gain of	7,165

STATISTICAL TABLE

NAME OF COMMANDERY	No. of Commandery	LOCATION OF COMMANDERY	DATE OF CHARTER	TIME OF MEETING	DATE OF ANNUAL CONCLAVE	Knighted	Affiliated	Restored	Suspended	Dimitted	Expelled	Died	No. of Members in 1914	No. of Members in 1915	Gain	Loss	Amount of Dues due the Grand Commandery
St. John's	1	Providence, R.I.	Oct. 7, 1805	1st Mon. in each month	1st Monday in Oct.	53	...	...	6	1	...	15	966	997	31	...	$514.25
Boston	2	Boston, Mass.	Mar. 3, 1806	3d Wed. in each month	3d Wednesday in Oct.	17	...	...	1	6	...	19	1,102	1,076	...	26	354.00
Newburyport	3	Newburyport, Mass.	May 12, 1808	3d Thurs. in each month	3d Thursday in Sept.	8	1	...	...	2	...	5	231	233	2	...	98.25
Washington	4	Newport, R.I.	June 7, 1814	3d Wed. in each month	3d Wednesday in Sept.	12	...	...	...	....	...	5	......	239	246	7	121.50
Worcester County	5	Worcester, Mass.	Dec. 17, 1824	1st Thurs. in each month	1st Thursday in Oct.	23	...	...	...	1	...	17	......	683	688	5	287.00
Springfield	6	Springfield, Mass.	June 19, 1826	1st Mon. in each month	1st Monday in Oct.	41	3	1	9	2	...	20	954	968	14	...	447.00
De Molay	7	Boston, Mass.	Oct. 10, 1848	4th Wed. in each month	4th Wednesday in Sept.	14	1	...	4	10	...	11	865	855	...	10	283.75
Holy Sepulchre	8	Pawtucket, R.I.	Sept. 25, 1849	3d Fri. in each month	3d Friday in September	25	...	...	...	....	...	4	414	435	11	...	233.75
Pilgrim	9	Lowell, Mass.	Oct. 10, 1855	4th Wednesday in each month	4th Wednesday in Oct.	31	2	...	...	1	...	7	485	510	25	...	237.50
Palestine	10	Chelsea, Mass.	Oct. 28, 1859	2d Wed. in each month	2d Wednesday in Oct.	11	13	...	6	5	...	7	350	357	7	...	144.25
Milford	11	Milford, Mass.	Oct. 28, 1859	4th Mon. in each month	4th Monday in Sept.	4	...	...	...	....	...	3	222	223	1	...	75.75
St. Bernard	12	Boston, Mass.	Oct. 28, 1859	2d Wed. in each month	2d Wednesday in Oct.	3	...	...	...	4	...	5	117	111	...	6	37.75
Calvary	13	Providence, R.I.	May 22, 1860	3d Tues. in each month	3d Tuesday in Sept.	31	...	...	1	3	...	17	651	661	10	...	320.25
Haverhill	14	Haverhill, Mass.	May 12, 1863	2d Tues. in each month	2d Tuesday in Oct.	11	3	...	3	2	...	7	307	310	3	...	132.50
Old Colony	15	Abington, Mass.	Oct. 26, 1863	4th Monday following full moon in each month	4th Monday in Sept.	15	...	...	1	....	...	4	249	259	10	...	139.75
Sutton	16	New Bedford, Mass.	May 5, 1864	1st Thurs. in each month	1st Thursday in Oct.	17	1	...	...	3	...	10	465	470	5	...	207.50
Bethany	17	Lawrence, Mass.	Oct. 28, 1864	Last Mon. in each month	Last Monday in Sept.	11	2	...	...	1	...	9	375	378	3	...	149.50
Winslow Lewis	18	Salem, Mass.	Mar. 3, 1865	3d Thurs. in each month	3d Thursday in Oct.	17	...	...	7	....	...	4	275	281	6	...	155.25
Jerusalem	19	Fitchburg, Mass.	Mar. 8, 1865	3d Thurs. in each month	3d Thursday in Sept.	3	1	...	3	3	...	6	334	326	...	8	96.00
Hugh de Payens	20	Melrose, Mass.	Mar. 27, 1865	2d Wed. in each month	2d Wednesday in Sept.	30	1	...	1	2	...	11	502	519	17	...	279.75
St. Omer	21	Dorchester, Mass.	Sept. 30, 1865	3d Mon. in each month	3d Monday in Sept.	21	...	...	1	2	...	11	433	440	7	...	210.00
Berkshire	22	Pittsfield, Mass.	Dec. 22, 1865	2d Mon. in each month	2d Monday in Oct.	5	...	1	...	2	...	3	321	322	1	...	109.00
Connecticut Valley	23	Greenfield, Mass.	Dec. 22, 1866	1st Tues. in each month	1st Tuesday in Oct.	4	...	...	...	5	...	8	255	276	...	9	81.50
Woonsocket	24	Woonsocket, R.I.	Jan. 31, 1867	2d Tues. in each month	2d Tuesday in Oct.	6	...	1	3	3	...	7	319	313	...	6	108.75
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	Fall River, Mass.	May 29, 1868	3d Wed. in each month	3d Wednesday in Sept.	14	2	...	4	2	...	9	392	396	1	...	164.75
Joseph Warren	26	Roxbury, Mass.	Jan. 1, 1869	1st Mon. in each month	1st Monday in June	15	1	...	6	7	...	3	482	482	...	...	205.50
Narragansett	27	Westerly, R.I.	May 12, 1869	1st Wed. in each month	1st Wednesday in Oct.	3	...	...	1	....	...	5	178	175	...	3	54.75
William Parkman	28	East Boston, Mass.	May 12, 1870	2d Thurs. in each month	2d Thursday in Sept.	18	...	...	10	3	...	8	355	352	...	3	178.00
Bristol	29	Attleboro, Mass.	May 28, 1870	1st Fri. in each month	1st Friday in Sept.	8	...	...	...	....	...	5	337	338	1	...	124.50
Northampton	30	Northampton, Mass.	June 2, 1870	2d Mon. in each month	2d Monday in Sept.	3	...	...	1	5	...	5	262	254	...	8	78.50
South Shore	31	E. Weymouth, Mass.	June 9, 1870	4th Thurs. in each month	4th Thursday in Sept.	5	...	...	...	2	...	6	211	208	...	3	77.00
Trinity	32	Hudson, Mass.	April 8, 1871	3d Wed. in each month	3d Wednesday in Sept.	16	1	...	...	3	...	6	280	288	8	...	152.00
Natick	33	Natick, Mass.	April 12, 1871	2d Mon. in each month	2d Monday in Sept.	9	1	...	...	3	...	3	218	222	4	...	100.50
Cœur de Lion	34	Charlestown, Mass.	Oct. 14, 1871	3d Tues. in each month	3d Tuesday in Nov.	17	3	...	5	5	...	10	556	556	...	...	214.00
Gethsemane	35	Newtonville, Mass.	May 20, 1872	4th Tues. in each month	4th Tuesday in June	16	3	...	4	12	...	9	439	433	...	6	188.25
Olivet	36	Lynn, Mass.	Mar. 13, 1873	1st Wed. in each month	1st Wednesday in Oct.	18	1	...	7	1	...	10	395	396	1	...	189.00
Athol	37	Athol, Mass.	June 7, 1873	1st Wed. in each month	1st Wednesday in Sept.	8	...	...	...	3	...	3	219	221	3	...	94.50
Bay State	38	Brockton, Mass.	Sept. 13, 1873	3d Mon. in each month	3d Monday in Sept.	15	1	...	3	1	...	5	491	498	7	...	199 50
Cyprus	39	Hyde Park, Mass.	Oct. 31, 1873	4th Thurs. in each month	4th Thursday in Sept.	9	1	...	3	2	...	5	342	342	...	...	130.50
St. Paul	40	North Adams, Mass.	Jan. 19, 1882	2d Fri. in each month	2d Friday in Sept.	18	2	...	2	5	...	1	237	249	12	...	152.25
Beauseant	41	Malden, Mass.	Oct. 20, 1886	4th Mon. in each month	4th Monday in Sept.	21	...	...	3	5	...	13	395	395	...	...	198.75
Cambridge	42	Cambridge, Mass.	May 28, 1890	4th Tues. in each month	4th Tuesday in Sept.	34	...	1	10	7	...	6	424	436	12	...	279.00
Bethlehem	43	Gloucester, Mass.	Oct. 29, 1890	2d Mon. in each month	2d Monday in Sept.	16	...	...	...	3	...	3	141	151	10	...	117.75
St. George	44	Beverly, Mass.	Mar. 19, 1892	2d Thurs. in each month	2d Thursday in Oct.	6	...	...	1	1	...	4	164	164	...	...	81.00
Orange	45	Orange, Mass.	Oct. 26, 1893	Last Fri. in each month	Last Friday in Sept.	6	...	...	1	....	...	4	154	155	1	...	68.75
Ivanhoe	46	Gardner, Mass.	Oct. 31, 1896	1st Tues. in each month	1st Tuesday in Sept.	3	1	...	...	1	...	2	149	150	1	...	52.50
Quincy	47	Quincy, Mass.	Feb. 27, 1914	4th Mon. in each month	4th Monday in Sept.	8	2	...	...	3	...	3	219	253	4	...	98.25
Totals						699	47	4	107	132	...	343	18,165	18,385	...	...	......

STATISTICAL TABLE

Grand Commandery of	Year	Date of Organization	Number Knighted	Number Affiliated	Number Restored	Number Dimitted	Number Suspended	Number Expelled	Number Died	Number of Subordinates	Number of Members	Gain over Last Report
Alabama	1915	Nov. 29, 1860	195	27	8	38	28	1	18	22	1,808	145
Arizona	1915	Nov. 16, 1893	31	4	1	9	14	...	6	5	501	7
Arkansas	1915	Mar. 23, 1872	71	19	4	30	55	...	15	21	1,345	46
California	1915	Aug. 10, 1858	402	158	16	101	147	...	118	53	7,656	210
Colorado	1915	Mar. 14, 1876	123	38	10	36	24	2	58	31	3,224	34
Connecticut	1915	Sept. 13, 1827	162	6	4	15	13	...	87	11	4,171	53
Dist. of Columbia	1915	Jan. 14, 1896	55	5	6	25	33	...	48	5	1,643	*40
Florida	1915	Aug. 15, 1895	148	74	5	76	27	...	18	19	1,315	106
Georgia	1915	April 25, 1870	310	61	22	101	99	...	46	30	3,446	147
Idaho	1915	Aug. 31, 1904	54	9	4	11	12	...	9	10	734	35
Illinois	1914	Oct. 27, 1857	1,003	121	34	340	177	3	282	83	18,413	362
Indiana	1915	May 16, 1854	640	55	15	94	63	3	111	58	7,984	435
Iowa	1915	June 6, 1864	576	74	24	123	74	...	108	.....	7,387	371
Kansas	1915	Dec. 29, 1868	405	34	25	106	182	...	96	55	6,404	170
Kentucky	1915	Oct. 15, 1847	234	22	15	56	99	1	67	33	5,033	46
Louisiana	1915	Feb. 12, 1864	117	6	2	10	15	...	23	12	1,108	81
Maine	1915	May 5, 1852	233	12	6	43	66	...	130	23	5,621	12
Maryland	1915	Jan. 23, 1871	141	3	....	18	9	...	39	13	2,234	76
Mass. and Rhode Island	1915	May 6, 1805	699	47	4	132	107	...	343	47	18,385	220
Michigan	1915	April 5, 1857	419	65	7	132	41	2	168	50	9,306	174
Minnesota	1915	Oct. 23, 1865	241	36	4	56	37	...	70	31	4,717	115
Mississippi	1915	Jan. 21, 1857	147	18	22	53	103	...	16	27	2,054	15
Missouri	1915	May 22, 1860	368	56	32	110	103	3	111	66	7,137	129
Montana	1915	May 14, 1888	85	7	4	13	9	...	16	14	1,365	58
Nebraska	1915	Dec. 27, 1871	187	17	6	30	38	...	42	29	2,828	100
New Hampshire	1914	June 13, 1826	125	.....	2	18	7	1	53	11	2,783	48
New Jersey	1915	Feb. 14, 1860	168	11	7	28	45	...	58	19	3,506	55
New Mexico	1914	Aug. 21, 1901	54	4	2	21	12	...	12	12	708	41
New York	1915	Jan. 18, 1814	1,182	76	72	206	432	...	361	63	23,114	331
North Carolina	1915	May 10, 1881	233	7	3	15	23	1	12	9	1,786	189
North Dakota	1915	Jan. 16, 1890	114	6	8	39	17	...	22	15	1,614	50
Ohio	1914	Oct. 24, 1843	1,110	72	50	132	131	10	268	65	17,330	691
Oklahoma	1915	Feb. 10, 1896	202	35	17	49	90	...	19	38	2,474	96
Oregon	1914	April 13, 1884	98	40	....	21	15	1	30	17	1,813	71
Pennsylvania	1915	April 12, 1854	1,286	149	....	127	182	1	404	87	23,695	721
South Carolina	1915	Mar. 25, 1907	141	15	5	11	31	...	19	9	1,660	100
South Dakota	1915	May 14, 1884	134	16	6	26	31	...	20	23	1,908	78
Tennessee	1915	Oct. 12, 1859	165	29	4	27	37	...	30	19	1,906	104
Texas	1915	Jan. 18, 1855	496	121	18	143	91	...	83	64	6,553	412
Utah	1915	May 9, 1910	28	5	....	5	2	...	8	3	483	18
Vermont	1915	June 27, 1824	109	6	1	22	30	1	49	13	2,783	14
Virginia	1914	Nov. 27, 1823	200	21	9	36	35	1	44	25	3,450	114
Washington	1913	June 2, 1887	146	61	4	23	17	...	25	13	2,171	146
West Virginia	1915	Feb. 25, 1874	260	27	9	37	51	2	47	21	4,080	159
Wisconsin	1914	Oct. 20, 1859	337	78	11	91	22	...	93	38	5,219	220
Wyoming	1915	Mar. 8, 1888	38	31	....	36	9	2	9	10	685	13
Grand Encampment, U.S.	1913	June 21, 1816	150	4	2	11	5	...	20	9	1,203	94
Totals in U.S.	....	....	13,822	1,788	510	2,882	2,890	35	3,728	1,321	236,741	
Canada	1914	....	731	84	14	91	73	...	85	61	7,905	580
England and Wales	1914	....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	3,140	.....
Ireland	1914	....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	1,300	.....
Scotland	1914	....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	1,828	.....
Victoria, Australia	1914	....	.....	....	....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	....	.....
Total in the World	....	....	14,553	1,872	524	2,973	2,963	35	3,813	1,382	250,914	

*Loss

AMOUNTS PAID GRAND COMMANDERY

Name of Commandery	No. of Commandery	Location of Commandery	Amount Paid 1914	Amount Paid 1915	Gain	Loss
St. Johns	1	Providence, R.I.	$376.50	$514.25	$137.75	....
Boston	2	Boston, Mass.	386.25	354.00	....	$32.25
Newburyport	3	Newburyport, Mass.	87.75	98.25	10.50	....
Washington	4	Newport, R.I.	159.75	121.50	....	38.25
Worcester County	5	Worcester, Mass.	440.75	287.00	....	153.75
Springfield	6	Springfield, Mass.	393.50	447.00	53.50	....
De Molay	7	Boston, Mass.	356.25	283.75	90.75	72.50
Holy Sepulchre	8	Pawtucket, R.I.	243.50	233.75	....	9.75
Pilgrim	9	Lowell, Mass.	296.25	237.50	....	58.75
Palestine	10	Chelsea, Mass.	177.50	144.25	....	33.25
Milford	11	Milford, Mass.	70.50	75.75	5.25	....
St. Bernard	12	Boston, Mass.	54.25	37.75	....	16.50
Calvary	13	Providence, R.I.	367.75	320.25	....	47.25
Haverhill	14	Haverhill, Mass.	141.75	132.50	....	9.25
Old Colony	15	Abington, Mass.	102.25	139.75	37.50	....
Sutton	16	New Bedford, Mass.	231.25	207.50	....	23.75
Bethany	17	Lawrence, Mass.	148.75	149.50	.75	....
Winslow Lewis	18	Salem, Mass.	113.75	155.25	41.50	....
Jerusalem	19	Fitchburg, Mass.	108.00	96.00	....	12.00
Hugh de Payens	20	Melrose, Mass.	200.50	279.75	79.25	....
St. Omer	21	Dorchester, Mass.	213.25	210.00	....	3.25
Berkshire	22	Pittsfield, Mass.	189.00	109.00	....	80.00
Connecticut Valley	23	Greenfield, Mass.	103.75	81.50	....	22.25
Woonsocket	24	Woonsocket, R.I.	94.75	108.25	13.50	....
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	Fall River, Mass.	183.00	164.75	....	18.25
Joseph Warren	26	Roxbury, Mass.	200.50	205.50	5.00	....
Narragansett	27	Westerly, R.I.	94.50	58.75	....	35.75
William Parkman	28	East Boston, Mass.	308.75	178.00	....	130.75
Bristol	29	Attleboro, Mass.	179.25	124.50	....	54.75
Northampton	30	Northampton, Mass.	250.50	78.50	....	172.00
South Shore	31	E. Weymouth, Mass.	102.75	77.00	....	25.75
Trinity	32	Hudson, Mass.	115.00	152.00	37.00	....
Natick	33	Natick, Mass.	94.50	100.50	6.00	....
Cœur de Lion	34	Charlestown, Mass.	304.00	214.00	....	90.00
Gethsemane	35	Newtonville, Mass.	229.75	188.25	....	41.50
Olivet	36	Lynn, Mass.	138.75	189.00	50.25	....
Athol	37	Athol, Mass.	114.00	94.50	....	19.50
Bay State	38	Brockton, Mass.	252.75	199.50	....	53.25
Cyprus	39	Hyde Park, Mass.	260.50	130.50	....	130.00
St. Paul	40	North Adams, Mass.	114.25	152.25	38.00	....
Beauseant	41	Malden, Mass.	223.75	198.75	....	25.00
Cambridge	42	Cambridge, Mass.	136.00	279.00	133.00	....
Bethlehem	43	Gloucester, Mass.	50.25	117.75	67.50	....
St. George	44	Beverly, Mass.	101.00	81.00	....	20.00
Orange	45	Orange, Mass.	58.50	68.75	10.25	....
Ivanhoe	46	Gardner, Mass.	62.25	52.50	....	9.70
Quincy	47	Quincy, Mass.	157.25	98.25	....	59.00

DIPLOMAS DELIVERED TO COMMANDERIES

Name of Commandery	No.	Location of Commandery	Date of Charter	
St. Johns	1	Providence, R.I.	Oct. 7, 1805	53
Boston	2	Boston, Mass	Mar. 3, 1806	17
Newburyport	3	Newburyport, Mass	May 12, 1808	9
Washington	4	Newport, R. I.	June 7, 1814	12
Springfield	6	Springfield, Mass	June 19, 1826	25
De Molay	7	Boston, Mass	Oct. 10, 1848	14
Holy Sepulchre	8	Pawtucket, R. I.	Oct. 10, 1855	22
Pilgrim	9	Lowell, Mass	Oct. 28, 1859	21
Palestine	10	Chelsea, Mass	Oct. 28, 1859	9
Milford	11	Milford, Mass	Oct. 28, 1859	7
Haverhill	14	Haverhill, Mass	May 12, 1863	24
Old Colony	15	Abington, Mass	Oct. 26, 1863	15
Sutton	16	New Bedford, Mass	May 5, 1864	18
Bethany	17	Lawrence, Mass	Oct. 28, 1864	11
Jerusalem	19	Fitchburg, Mass	Mar. 8, 1865	3
Hugh de Payens	20	Melrose, Mass	Mar. 27, 1865	30
St. Omer	21	Dorchester, Mass	Sept. 30, 1865	18
Berkshire	22	Pittsfield, Mass	Dec. 22, 1865	17
Woonsocket	24	Woonsocket, R.I.	Jan. 31, 1867	6
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	Fall River, Mass	May 29, 1868	15
Joseph Warren	26	Roxbury, Mass	Jan. 1, 1869	14
William Parkman	28	East Boston, Mass	May 12, 1870	19
Bristol	29	Attleboro, Mass	June 2, 1870	9
South Shore	31	E. Weymouth, Mass	June 9, 1870	4
Trinity	32	Hudson, Mass	April 8, 1871	19
Natick	33	Natick, Mass	April 12, 1871	6
Cœur de Lion	34	Charlestown, Mass	Oct. 14, 1871	11
Gethsemane	35	Newtonville, Mass	May 20, 1872	16
Olivet	36	Lynn, Mass	Mar. 13, 1873	17
Bay State	38	Brockton, Mass	Sept. 13, 1873	21
Cyprus	39	Hyde Park, Mass	Oct. 31, 1873	9
St. Paul	40	North Adams, Mass	Jan. 19, 1882	14
Beauseant	41	Malden, Mass	Oct. 20, 1886	21
Cambridge	42	Cambridge, Mass	May 28, 1890	34
Bethlehem	43	Gloucester, Mass	Oct. 29, 1890	16
St. George	44	Beverly, Mass	Mar. 19, 1892	8
Orange	45	Orange, Mass	Oct. 26, 1893	6
Ivanhoe	46	Gardner, Mass	Oct. 31, 1896	3
Quincy	47	Quincy, Mass	Feb. 20, 1911	2
Total				595

NUMERICAL STANDING OF COMMANDERIES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

No.	Commandery	Members
1	Boston, No. 2	1,076
2	Saint John's, No. 1	997
3	Springfield, No. 6	968
4	De Molay, No. 7	855
5	Worcester County, No. 5	688
6	Calvary, No. 13	661
7	Cœur de Lion, No. 34	556
8	Hugh de Payens, No. 20	519
9	Pilgrim, No. 9	510
10	Bay State, No. 38	498
11	Joseph Warren, No. 26	482
12	Sutton, No. 16	470
13	Saint Omer, No. 21	440
14	Cambridge, No. 42	436
15	Holy Sepulchre, No. 8	435
16	Gethsemane, No. 35	433
17	Godfrey de Bouillon, No. 25	396
17	Olivet, No. 36	396
18	Beauseant, No. 41	395
19	Bethany, No. 17	378
20	Palestine, No. 10	357
21	William Parkman, No. 28	352
22	Cyprus, No. 39	342
23	Bristol, No. 29	338
24	Jerusalem, No. 19	326
25	Berkshire, No. 22	322
26	Woonsocket, No. 24	313
27	Haverhill, No. 14	310
28	Trinity, No. 32	288
29	Winslow Lewis, No. 18	281
30	Connecticut Valley, No. 23	276
31	Old Colony, No. 15	259
32	Northampton, No. 30	254
33	Quincy, No. 47	253
34	Saint Paul, No. 40	249
35	Washington, No. 4	246
36	Newburyport, No. 3	233
37	Milford, No. 11	223
38	Natick, No. 33	222
39	Athol, No. 37	221
40	South Shore, No. 31	208
41	Narragansett, No. 27	175
42	Saint George, No. 44	164
43	Orange, No. 45	155
44	Bethlehem, No. 43	151
45	Ivanhoe, No. 46	150
46	Saint Bernard, No. 12	111

NUMERICAL RANK OF GRAND COMMANDERIES FROM THE LATEST RETURNS

Standing	Grand Commandery	Membership
1	Pennsylvania	23,696
2	New York	23,114
3	Illinois	18,413
4	Massachusetts and Rhode Island	18,385
5	Ohio	17,330
6	Michigan	9,306
7	Indiana	7,984
8	California	7,656
9	Iowa	7,387
10	Missouri	7,137
11	Texas	6,553
12	Kansas	6,404
13	Maine	5,621
14	Wisconsin	5,219
15	Kentucky	5,033
16	Minnesota	4,717
17	Connecticut	5,171
18	West Virginia	4,080
19	New Jersey	3,506
20	Virginia	3,450
21	Georgia	3,446
22	Colorado	3,224
23	Nebraska	2,828
24	New Hampshire	2,783
25	Vermont	2,783
26	Oklahoma	2,474
27	Maryland	2,234
28	Washington	2,171
29	Mississippi	2,054
30	South Dakota	1,908
31	Tennessee	1,906
32	Oregon	1,813
33	Alabama	1,808
34	North Carolina	1,786
35	South Carolina	1,660
36	District of Columbia	1,643
37	North Dakota	1,614
38	Montana	1,365
39	Arkansas	1,345
40	Florida	1,315
41	Louisiana	1,108
42	Idaho	734
43	New Mexico	708
44	Wyoming	685
45	Arizona	501
46	Utah	483
	Total	00,000

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Name of Commandery	No. of Commandery	Date of Inspection	Name and Rank of Inspecting Officer
Saint Johns	1	April 5, 1915	James S. Blake, Grand Lecturer
Boston	2	March 17, 1915	Frederick I. Dana, Deputy Grand Commander
Newburyport	3	April 15, 1915	Lewis M. Woodbridge, Grand Lecturer
Washington	4	May 19, 1915	Charles R. Hunt, Grand Sword Bearer
Worcester County	5	April 1, 1915	William J. Bolton, Grand Senior Warden
Springfield	6	March 29, 1915	Frederick I. Dana, Deputy Grand Commander
De Molay	7	Feb. 24, 1915	William H. Emerson, Grand Captain General
Holy Sepulchre	8	Feb. 19, 1915	J. Fred Parker, Grand Lecturer
Pilgrim	9	April 28, 1915	Charles R. Hunt, Grand Sword Bearer
Palestine	10	April 14, 1915	Everett C. Benton, Grand Junior Warden
Milford	11	Feb. 22, 1915	Samuel D. Sherwood, Grand Generalissimo
Saint Bernard	12	March 10, 1915	Samuel D. Sherwood. Grand Generalissimo
Calvary	13	March 16, 1915	Henry C. Dexter, Grand Captain of the Guard
Haverhill	14	April 13, 1915	Asa C. Jewett, Grand Lecturer
Old Colony	15	May 24, 1915	Everett C. Benton, Grand Junior Warden
Sutton	16	March 11, 1915	J. Fred Parker, Grand Lecturer
Bethany	17	Jan 25, 1915	Everett C. Benton, Grand Junior Warden
Winslow Lewis	18	Jan. 21, 1915	Frederick I. Dana, Deputy Grand Commander
Jerusalem	19	March 18, 1915	Olin D. Dickerman, Grand Lecturer
Hugh de Payens	20	Feb. 10 1915	James S. Blake, Grand Lecturer
Saint Omer	21	Feb. 15, 1915	J. Fred Parker, Grand Lecturer
Berkshire	22	May 10, 1915	William J. Bolton, Grand Senior Warden
Connecticut Valley	23	May 11, 1915	Samuel D. Sherwood, Grand Generalissimo
Woonsocket	24	March 9, 1915	Clarence M. Dunbar, Grand Lecturer
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	March 31, 1915	Henry C. Dexter, Grand Captain of the Guard
Joseph Warren	26	March 1, 1915	Harry G. Pollard, Grand Standard Bearer
Narragansett	27	March 3, 1915	Clarence M. Dunbar, Grand Lecturer
William Parkman	28	April 8, 1915	Henry C. Dexter, Grand Captain of the Guard
Bristol	29	March 5, 1915	Lewis M. Woodbridge, Grand Lecturer
Northampton	30	May 10, 1915	Asa C. Jewett, Grand Lecturer
South Shore	31	April 12, 1915	Samuel D. Sherwood, Grand Generalissimo
Trinity	32	May 19, 1915	Lewis M. Woodbridge, Grand Lecturer
Natick	33	March 8, 1915	William H. Emerson, Grand Captain General
Cœur de Lion	34	Feb. 16, 1915	William J. Bolton, Grand Senior Warden
Gethsemane	35	Jan. 26, 1915	William H. Emerson, Grand Captain General
Olivet	36	Jan. 6, 1915	Asa C. Jewett, Grand Lecturer
Athol	37	May 5, 1915	Harry G. Pollard, Grand Standard Bearer
Bay State	38	March 15, 1915	Harry G. Pollard, Grand Standard Bearer
Cyprus	39	Feb. 25, 1915	Clarence M. Dunbar, Grand Lecturer
Saint Paul	40	Feb. 12, 1915	Charles R. Hunt, Grand Sword Bearer
Beauseant	41	Feb. 26, 1915	Frederick I. Dana, Deputy Grand Commander
Cambridge	42	March 23, 1915	Olin D. Dickerman, Grand Lecturer
Bethlehem	43	April 5, 1915	William H. Emerson, Grand Captain General
Saint George	44	March 11, 1915	Everett C. Benton, Grand Junior Warden
Orange	45	April 30, 1915	Olin D. Dickerman, Grand Lecturer
Ivanhoe	46	Feb. 2, 1915	James S. Blake, Grand Lecturer
Quincy	47	March 22, 1915	William J. Bolton, Grand Senior Warden

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NAME OF COMMANDERY	No. of Commandery	LOCATION OF COMMANDERY	Members in Knight Templar Uniform Present at Conclave	Members not in Uniform	Visitors Present other than the Suite	Inspecting Officer and his Suite	Total Present	Members Paying Dues	Life Members	Members Exempted by the By-Laws	Members Exempted by Vote	Total Active Membership	Honorary Members (not Active)
Saint John's	1	Providence, R.I.	448	...	40	76	564	838	152	....	1	991	3
Boston	2	Boston, Mass.	242	55	181	95	573	745	330	....	...	1075	....
Newburyport	3	Newburyport, Mass.	75	12	23	22	132	223	....	3	4	230	2
Washington	4	Newport, R.I.	78	3	20	30	131	225	3	....	6	234	1
Worcester County	5	Worcester, Mass.	100	33	25	31	189	456	220	....	7	683	1
Springfield	6	Springfield, Mass.	159	22	28	27	236	918	22	26	...	966	1
De Molay	7	Boston, Mass.	208	8	102	61	379	728	117	20	...	865	....
Holy Sepulchre	8	Pawtucket, R.I.	131	23	63	45	267	364	53	....	1	418	1
Pilgrim	9	Lowell, Mass.	220	17	28	59	324	462	18	....	23	503	....
Palestine	10	Chelsea, Mass.	85	48	73	91	297	317	6	11	13	347	....
Milford	11	Milford, Mass.	56	18	9	16	99	200	16	3	...	219	....
Saint Bernard	12	Boston, Mass.	45	...	6	23	74	102	4	1	2	109	8
Calvary	13	Providence, R.I.	168	6	43	55	272	588	50	....	13	651	1
Haverhill	14	Haverhill, Mass.	152	...	26	38	216	273	31	4	...	308	....
Old Colony	15	Abington, Mass.	50	10	10	28	98	249	2	3	...	254	4
Sutton	16	New Bedford, Mass.	103	15	32	34	184	419	41	1	6	467	....
Bethany	17	Lawrence, Mass.	61	26	14	24	125	305	65	....	2	372	....
Winslow Lewis	18	Salem, Mass.	75	6	20	39	140	263	1	11	...	275	....
Jerusalem	19	Fitchburg, Mass.	79	11	4	11	105	313	17	2	2	334	2
Hugh de Payens	20	Melrose, Mass.	174	3	56	58	291	430	25	47	...	502	1
Saint Omer	21	Dorchester, Mass.	101	40	67	45	253	363	59	....	7	429	....
Berkshire	22	Pittsfield, Mass.	73	31	7	4	115	321	....	....	...	321	....
Connecticut Valley	23	Greenfield, Mass.	36	19	9	15	79	250	....	2	4	256	....
Woonsocket	24	Woonsocket, R.I.	63	3	19	33	118	311	2	....	...	313	....
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	Fall River, Mass.	96	50	36	43	225	390	16	4	...	410	....
Joseph Warren	26	Roxbury, Mass.	160	14	91	65	330	394	75	16	2	487	2
Narragansett	27	Westerly, R.I.	73	3	78	24	178	172	5	....	...	177	....
William Parkman	28	East Boston, Mass.	62	29	64	51	206	322	13	4	16	355	....
Bristol	29	Attleboro, Mass.	100	15	55	27	197	328	12	3	...	343	....
Northampton	30	Northampton, Mass.	38	27	11	14	90	253	5	1	2	261	2
South Shore	31	E. Weymouth, Mass.	64	26	36	40	166	188	14	2	4	208	3
Trinity	32	Hudson, Mass.	74	4	18	13	109	276	3	....	1	280	1
Natick	33	Natick, Mass.	57	25	20	16	118	209	5	4	...	218	....
Cœur de Lion	34	Charlestown, Mass.	289	...	53	30	372	515	24	14	...	553	....
Gethsemane	35	Newtonville, Mass.	149	...	57	*	*	423	13	....	...	436	6
Olivet	36	Lynn, Mass.	65	12	13	22	112	328	64	3	...	395	....
Athol	37	Athol, Mass.	59	22	38	21	140	214	....	....	3	217	2
Bay State	38	Brockton, Mass.	141	17	35	40	233	415	64	14	...	493	....
Cyprus	39	Hyde Park, Mass.	75	37	30	34	176	340	3	....	1	344	....
Saint Paul	40	North Adams, Mass.	60	20	25	12	117	232	....	2	3	237	1
Beauseant	41	Malden, Mass.	133	3	72	48	256	375	6	19	...	400	5
Cambridge	42	Cambridge, Mass.	142	54	92	57	345	380	41	4	...	425	8
Bethlehem	43	Gloucester, Mass.	45	...	10	5	60	145	3	....	...	148	....
Saint George	44	Beverly, Mass.	58	...	21	16	105	145	....	....	...	145	1
Orange	45	Orange, Mass.	59	13	9	11	92	157	....	....	...	157	3
Ivanhoe	46	Gardner, Mass.	51	4	7	6	68	145	3	....	...	148	1
Quincy	47	Quincy, Mass.	70	12	31	28	141	244	....	5	1	250	3

*No report by inspecting officer.

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NAME OF COMMANDERY	No. of Commandery	No. of Knight Templar Regalias owned by Members of the Commandery	No. of Templar Coats owned by Members	The Order Exemplified	Rendition of Ritual	Floor Work	The Military Appearance was	The Military Movements were
St. John's	1	710	460	Red Cross	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Boston	2	680	600	Malta	Very good	Very good	Excellent	Excellent
Newburyport	3	225	225	Red Cross	Very good	Very good	Very good	Very good
Washington	4	206	138	Temple	Excellent	Good	Good	Good
Worcester County	5	475	275	Temple	Excellent	Very good	Very good	Very good
Springfield	6	770	415	Temple	Excellent	Very good	Very good	Very good
De Molay	7	548	525	Red Cross	Very good	Very good	Very good	Very good
Holy Sepulchre	8	402	360	Temple	Excellent	Very good	Very good	Very good
Pilgrim	9	456	377	Temple	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Palestine	10	115	164	Red Cross	Very good	Very good	Very good	Very good
Milford	11	190	135	Temple	Very good	Very good	Very good	Very good
St. Bernard	12	107	70	*	Excellent	Good	Good	Good
Calvary	13	614	614	Temple	Excellent	Very good	Very good	Very good
Haverhill	14	213	213	Red Cross	Very good	Good	Good	Good
Old Colony	15	164	124	Red Cross	Very good	Very good	Very good	Very good
Sutton	16	414	291	Red Cross	Very good	Good	Good	Good
Bethany	17	329	262	Red Cross	Excellent	Very good	Excellent	Very good
Winslow Lewis	18	149	169	Red Cross	Very good	Good	Fair	Fair
Jerusalem	19	290	290	Red Cross	Very good	Good	Good	Good
Hugh de Payens	20	317	317	Red Cross	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
St. Omer	21	238	238	Temple	Excellent	Very good	Very good	Very good
Berkshire	22	285	279	Temple	Very good	Good	Very good	Very good
Connecticut Valley	23	164	136	Temple	Fair	Fair	Good	Fair
Woonsocket	24	194	182	Red Cross	Very good	Good	Good	Fair
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	221	196	Temple	Excellent	Good	Good	Good
Joseph Warren	26	333	333	Red Cross	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Narragansett	27	126	77	Red Cross	Very good	Very good	Very good	Very good
William Parkman	28	304	304	Red Cross	Very good	Good	Good	Good
Bristol	29	280	280	Temple	Very good	Very good	Very good	Very good
Northampton	30	160	80	Temple	Very good	Very good	Good	Good
South Shore	31	125	109	*	Excellent	Very good	Very good	Very good
Trinity	32	260	225	Red Cross	Excellent	Very good	Very good	Very good
Natick	33	150	125	Red Cross	Good	Good	Good	Good
Cœur de Lion	34	409	418	Red Cross	Very good	Very good	Very good	Very good
Gethsemane	35	380	347	Red Cross	Good	Good	Good	Good
Olivet	36	357	313	Red Cross	Excellent	Very good	Very good	Very good
Athol	37	165	120	Temple	Excellent	Excellent	Very good	Very good
Bay State	38	475	475	Temple	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Cyprus	39	185	175	Temple	Good	Good	Good	Good
St. Paul	40	210	210	Temple	Excellent	Very good	Very good	Very good
Beauseant	41	314	314	Temple	Very good	Very good	Very good	Very good
Cambridge	42	286	286	Temple	Excellent	Excellent	Very good	Excellent
Bethlehem	43	143	143	Red Cross	Very good	Very good	Fair	Fair
St. George	44	110	110	Excellent	Very good	Very good	Very good	Very good
Orange	45	120	120	Temple	Very good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Ivanhoe	46	116	116	Red Cross	Very good	Very good	Very good	Very good
Quincy	47	151	152	Red Cross	Excellent	Excellent	Very good	Excellent

*No report by inspecting officer

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NAME OF COMMANDERY	No. of Commandery	LOCATION OF COMMANDERY	Appearance of Charter	Has the Commandery working copy of Charter?	How are Records kept and their appearance?	Do By-laws bear Seal of Grand Commandery?	Has the Commandery a Permanent Fund?
St. Johns	1	Providence, R. I.	Good	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Boston	2	Boston, Mass.	Excellent	No	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Newburyport	3	Newburyport, Mass.	Good	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Washington	4	Newport, R. I.	Fine	No	Fine	Yes	Yes
Worcester County	5	Worcester, Mass.	Very good	Yes	Very good	Yes	Yes
Springfield	6	Springfield, Mass.	Excellent	No	Excellent	Yes	Yes
De Molay	7	Boston, Mass.	Excellent	Yes	Very good	Yes	Yes
Holy Sepulchre	8	Pawtucket, R. I.	Good	Yes	Fine	Yes	Yes
Pilgrim	9	Lowell, Mass.	Good	Yes	Fine	Yes	Yes
Palestine	10	Chelsea, Mass.	Very good	Yes	Very good	Yes	Yes
Milford	11	Milford, Mass.	Well preserved	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
St. Bernard	12	Boston, Mass.	Excellent	Yes	Good	Yes	Yes
Calvary	13	Providence, R. I.	Damaged by fire	Yes	Fine	Yes	Yes
Haverhill	14	Haverhill, Mass.	Excellent	No	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Old Colony	15	Abington, Mass.	Good	No	Very good	Yes	Yes
Sutton	16	New Bedford, Mass.	Fine	Yes	Good	Yes	Yes
Bethany	17	Lawrence, Mass.	Very good	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Winslow Lewis	18	Salem, Mass.	Excellent	No	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Jerusalem	19	Fitchburg, Mass.	Good	Yes	Good	Yes	Yes
Hugh de Payens	20	Melrose, Mass.	Good	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
St. Omer	21	Dorchester, Mass.	Fine	Yes	Fine	Yes	Yes
Berkshire	22	Pittsfield, Mass.	Good	No	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Connecticut Valley	23	Greenfield, Mass.	Fair	No	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Woonsocket	24	Woonsocket, R. I.	Good	Yes	Very good	Yes	Yes
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	Fall River, Mass.	Fine	No	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Joseph Warren	26	Roxbury, Mass.	Good	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Narragansett	27	Westerly, R. I.	Good	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
William Parkman	28	East Boston, Mass.	Very good	Yes	Very good	Yes	Yes
Bristol	29	Attleboro, Mass.	Good	Yes	Good	Yes	Yes
Northampton	30	Northampton, Mass.	Excellent	No	Excellent	Yes	Yes
South Shore	31	E. Weymouth, Mass.	Excellent	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Trinity	32	Hudson, Mass.	Good	Yes	Good	Yes	Yes
Natick	33	Natick, Mass.	Excellent	Yes	Very good	Yes	Yes
Cœur de Lion	34	Charlestown, Mass.	Very good	No	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Gethsemane	35	Newtonville, Mass.	Excellent	Yes	Very good	Yes	Yes
Olivet	36	Lynn, Mass.	Excellent	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Athol	37	Athol, Mass.	Good	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Bay State	38	Brockton, Mass.	Good	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Cyprus	39	Hyde Park, Mass.	Good	Yes	Good	Yes	Yes
St. Paul	40	North Adams, Mass.	Good	No	Good	Yes	Yes
Beauseant	41	Malden, Mass.	Excellent	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Cambridge	42	Cambridge, Mass.	Very good	Yes	Very good	Yes	Yes
Bethlehem	43	Gloucester, Mass.	*	Yes	Very good	Yes	Yes
St. George	44	Beverly, Mass.	Very good	Yes	Very good	Yes	Yes
Orange	45	Orange, Mass.	Very good	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Ivanhoe	46	Gardner, Mass.	Good	No	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Quincy	47	Quincy, Mass.	Very good	No	Very good	Yes	Yes

*No report

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NAME OF COMMANDERY	No. of Commandery	LOCATION OF COMMANDERY	Prelate's Ritual	Combined Red Cross, Temple and Malta	Red Cross and Temple Rituals in possession of the proper officers	Condition of the Rituals
St. John's	1	Providence, R. I.	425	6950	2839, 2840	Good
Boston	2	Boston, Mass.	*	5005, 4432	1500, 2842	Fair
Newburyport	3	Newburyport, Mass.	427	5253	2843, 2844, 4152	Good
Washington	4	Newport, R. I.	428	5006	2845, 2846	Good
Worcester County	5	Worcester, Mass.	429	5066	2847, 2848	Good
Springfield	6	Springfield, Mass.	430	5067	1706, 2850	Good
De Molay	7	Boston, Mass.	431, 1508	5007	1428, 2851	Good
Holy Sepulchre	8	Pawtucket, R. I.	1260	5254	2853, 2854	Very good
Pilgrim	9	Lowell, Mass.	1269	5008	2855, 2856	Good
Palestine	10	Chelsea, Mass.	434	5255	2857, 5540	Very good
Milford	11	Milford, Mass.	435	5009	2859, 2860	Good
St. Bernard	12	Boston, Mass.	436	5256	2861, 2862	Good
Calvary	13	Providence, R. I.	437	5004	2863, 2864	Good
Haverhill	14	Haverhill, Mass.	438	5258	2866, 4130	Good
Old Colony	15	Abington, Mass.	439	5010	2867, 424	Good**
Sutton	16	New Bedford, Mass.	440	5068	1869, 1870	Good
Bethany	17	Lawrence, Mass.	441	5259	2871, 2872	Very good
Winslow Lewis	18	Salem, Mass.	442	5260	2873, 2874, 445	Good
Jerusalem	19	Fitchburg, Mass.	443	5069	2875, 2876	Good
Hugh de Payens	20	Melrose, Mass.	444	5261	2877, 2878	Good
St. Omer	21	Dorchester, Mass.	445	5070	2879, 2880	Very good
Berkshire	22	Pittsfield, Mass.	446	5262	2881, 2882	Very good
Connecticut Valley	23	Greenfield, Mass.	447	5011	4127, 2113	Good
Woonsocket	24	Woonsocket, R. I.	448	5012	2885, 2886	Good
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	Fall River, Mass.	449	5013	2887, 2888	Good
Joseph Warren	26	Roxbury, Mass.	450	5014	2889, 2890	Fair
Narragansett	27	Westerly, R. I.	451	5071	2891, 2892	Good
William Parkman	28	East Boston, Mass.	452	5072	2893, 2894	Good
Bristol	29	Attleboro, Mass.	453	5073, 6827	2896	Good
Northampton	30	Northampton, Mass.	454	5074	2897, 2898	Very good
South Shore	31	East Weymouth, Mass.	455	5263	2899, 2900	Good
Trinity	32	Hudson, Mass.	1648	5075	2901, 2902	Good
Natick	33	Natick, Mass.	457	5264, 1032†	2903, 2904, 4395	Good
Cœur de Lion	34	Charlestown, Mass.	458	5015	1569, 2906	Good
Gethsemane	35	Newtonville, Mass.	459	5016	2907, 2908	Good
Olivet	36	Lynn, Mass.	460	5076	2909, 2910	Very good
Athol	37	Athol, Mass.	461	5077	4076, 2911	Good
Bay State	38	Brockton, Mass.	462	5265	4052, 2914	Fair
Cyprus	39	Hyde Park, Mass.	463	5017	1398, 2916	Good
St. Paul	40	North Adams, Mass.	464	5018, 1035†	2917, 2918	Good
Beauseant	41	Malden, Mass.	465	5266	2919, 2920	Good
Cambridge	42	Cambridge, Mass.	466	5078	2921, 2922	Good
Bethlehem	43	Gloucester, Mass.	467	5267	2923, 2924	Very good
St. George	44	Beverly, Mass.	468	5268	2925, 2926	Good
Orange	45	Orange, Mass.	469	5079	2927, 4053	Very good
Ivanhoe	46	Gardner, Mass.	1658	5019	2929, 2930	Good
Quincy	47	Quincy, Mass.	1527	6859, 5859 5850		Good

*No report **Ritual 424 in bad condition †Malta Ritual

ADDRESSES OF RECORDERS

Name of Commandery	No. of Commandery	Location of Commandery	Recorder	Address
St. John's	1	Providence, R.I.	Franklin A. Smith.	25 Lenox Ave., Providence, R.I.
Boston	2	Boston, Mass.	J. Gilman Waite.	Masonic Temple, Boston, Mass.
Newburyport	3	Newburyport, Mass.	Chas. A. Stockman.	Newburyport, Mass.
Washington	4	Newport, R.I.	Thatcher T Bowler	P. O. Box 13, Newport, R.I.
Worcester County	5	Worcester, Mass.	William S. Dadmun	P. O. Box 578, Worcester, Mass.
Springfield	6	Springfield, Mass.	George B. Miller	4 Ct. House Pl., Springfield, Mass.
De Molay	7	Boston, Mass.	Charles R. Magee	581 Boylston St., Boston, Mass.
Holy Sepulchre	8	Pawtucket, R.I.	John F. Clark	Valley Falls, R.I.
Pilgrim	9	Lowell, Mass.	Charles B. Frederic.	Wyman's Exch., Lowell, Mass.
Palestine	10	Chelsea, Mass.	Martin J. Pleschinger	82 Washington Ave., Chelsea, Mass.
Milford	11	Milford, Mass.	Herbert S. Eldredge	P.O. Box 51, Milford, Mass.
St. Bernard	12	Boston, Mass.	Richard W. Smith	50 Congress St., Boston, Mass.
Calvary	13	Providence, R.I.	Joseph Baker, Jr.	138 Ontario St., Providence, R. I.
Haverhill	14	Haverhill, Mass.	J. Fred Johnson	27 Sumner St., Haverhill, Mass.
Old Colony	15	Abington, Mass.	Isaac C. Howland	Abington, Mass.
Sutton	16	New Bedford, Mass.	Damon W. Rice	P.O. Box 221, New Bedford, Mass.
Bethany	17	Lawrence, Mass.	Charles H. Littlefield	P. O. Box 584, Lawrence, Mass.
Winslow Lewis	18	Salem, Mass.	Adelbert Dennett	235 Essex St., Salem, Mass.
Jerusalem	19	Fitchburg, Mass.	Frank D. Page	City Hall, Fitchburg, Mass.
Hugh de Payens	20	Melrose, Mass.	Wallace R. Lovett	63 Stratford Road, Melrose, Mass.
St. Omer	21	Dorchester, Mass.	Richard T. Williams	34 G St., So Boston, Mass.
Berkshire	22	Pittsfield, Mass.	I. J. Barnfather	20 Bank Row, Pittsfield, Mass.
Connecticut Valley	23	Greenfield, Mass.	Robert H. Snow	Greenfield, Mass.
Woonsocket	24	Woonsocket, R.I.	Harry H. Wardle	48 Highland St., Woonsocket, R.I.
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	Fall River, Mass.	Wm. E. Blossom	472 June St., Fall River, Mass.
Joseph Warren	26	Roxbury, Mass.	Wm. H. Gerrish	43 West St., Boston, Mass.
Narragansett	27	Westerly, R.I.	Archie C. Thompson	19 Stanton St., Westerly, R.I.
William Parkman	28	East Boston, Mass.	Edward H. Morse	29 Lexington St., E. Boston, Mass.
Bristol	29	Attleboro, Mass	W. W. Josselyn	8 Grove St., Attleboro, Mass.
Northampton	30	Northampton, Mass.	Charles H. Chase	190 Round Hill, Northampton
South Shore	31	E. Weymouth, Mass.	Eben H. Cain	387 Washington St., Boston, Mass.
Trinity	32	Hudson, Mass.	Ed. B. Woodbury	Hudson, Mass.
Natick	33	Natick, Mass.	Harry M. Ferguson.	Natick, Mass.
Cœur de Lion	34	Charlestown, Mass.	Wm. L. Barber	36 Marshall St., Somerville, Mass.
Gethsemane	35	Newtonville, Mass.	Asa C. Jewett	Newton Centre, Mass.
Olivet	36	Lynn, Mass.	Robert E. Ramsdell.	9 Arlington St., Lynn, Mass.
Athol	37	Athol, Mass.	Frederick H. Lee	1477 Main St., Athol, Mass.
Bay State	38	Brockton, Mass.	Charles L. Chapin	73 Main St., Brockton, Mass.
Cyprus	39	Hyde Park, Mass.	Edward J. Ellis	38 Beacon St., Hyde Park, Mass.
St. Paul	40	North Adams, Mass.	Junius B. Temple	North Adams, Mass.
Beauseant	41	Malden, Mass.	Wallace M. Corbin	18 Horace St., Malden, Mass.
Cambridge	42	Cambridge, Mass.	Charles M. Pear	156 Line St., Cambridge, Mass.
Bethlehem	43	Gloucester, Mass.	John A. Rackloffe	27 Mt. Vernon St., Gloucester, Mass.
St. George	44	Beverly, Mass.	Archie D. McFarlin.	299 Cabot St., Beverly, Mass.
Orange	45	Orange, Mass.	Fred A. Lamb	33 Water St., Orange, Mass.
Ivanhoe	46	Gardner, Mass.	Charles E. Whitney.	125 Pearl St., Gardner, Mass.
Quincy	47	Quincy, Mass.	Alfred H. Richards.	56 So. Central Ave., Wollaston, Mass.

GRAND RECORDERS

Year Elected

Grand Commandery of	Year	Grand Recorder	Address
Alabama	1901	George A. Beauchamp	Montgomery
Arizona	1894	George J. Roskruge	Tucson
Arkansas	1899	Fay Hempsted	Little Rock
California	1898	William A. Davies	San Francisco
Colorado	1904	Charles H. Jacobson	Denver
Connecticut	1895	Eli C. Birdsey	Meriden
District of Columbia	1898	Arvine W. Johnston	Washington
Florida	1898	Wilber P. Webster	Jacksonville
Georgia	1909	Charles S. Wood	Savannah
Idaho	1914	Lewis W. Ensign	Boisé
Illinois	1911	Delmar D. Darrah	Bloomington
Indiana	1901	Calvin W. Prather	Indianapolis
Iowa	1902	David M. Brownlee	Sioux City
Kansas	1911	Albert K. Wilson	Topeka
Kentucky	1899	Alfred H. Bryant	Covington
Louisiana	1877	Richard Lambert	New Orleans
Maine	1891	Stephen Berry	Portland
Maryland	1888	John H. Miller	Baltimore
Mass. and Rhode Island	1891	Benjamin W. Rowell	Boston (206 Mas. Tem.)
Michigan	1914	Geo. T. Campbell	Owosso, Mich.
Minnesota	1906	John Fishel	St. Paul
Mississippi	1911	Oliver L. McKay	Meridian
Missouri	1906	Robert F. Stevenson	St. Louis
Montana	1907	Cornelius Hedges, Jr.	Helena
Nebraska	1899	Francis E. White	Omaha
New Hampshire	1910	Harry M. Cheney	Concord
New Jersey	1908	John M. Wright	Trenton
New Mexico	1902	Alpheus A. Keen	Albuquerque
New York	1904	John H. Bonnington	27 E. 21st St. N.Y.
North Carolina	1914	John B. Griggs	Elizabeth City, N. C.
North Dakota	1910	Walter L. Stockwell	Fargo
Ohio	1886	John N. Bell	Dayton
Oklahoma	1904	George W. Spencer	Oklahoma City
Oregon	1893	James F. Robinson	Portland
Pennsylvania	1897	William W. Allen	Philadelphia
South Carolina	1914	Joseph Lindsey	Chester
South Dakota	1895	George A. Pettigrew	Sioux Falls
Tennessee	1899	John B. Garrett	Nashville
Texas	1897	J. C. Kidd	Houston
Utah	1910	W. A. Raddon	Park City
Vermont	1902	Henry H. Ross	Burlington
Virginia	1895	James B. Blanks	Petersburg
Washington	1891	Yancey C. Blalock	Walla Walla
West Virginia	1903	Francis E. Nichols	Fairmount
Wisconsin	1900	William W. Perry	Milwaukee
Wyoming	1901	Adrian J. Parshall	Cheyenne
Grand Encampment U.S.	1913	Frank H. Johnson	Louisville, Ky.
Canada		Wm. H. Whyte, P.O. Box 1207	Montreal

GRAND COMMANDERS OF GRAND COMMANDERIES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Grand Commandery	Year	Grand Commander	Address
Alabama	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Hartford L. Ison	Gadsden, Ala.
Arizona	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Frederick P. Cornice	Phœnix, Ariz.
Arkansas	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir J. L. W. Grover	Batesville, Ark.
California	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Perry W. Weidner	Los Angeles, Cal.
Colorado	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Benjamin L. James	Denver, Colo.
Connecticut	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir George H. N. Johnson	Bridgeport, Conn.
District of Columbia	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Edwin B. Hesse	Washington, D. C.
Florida	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir William R. O'Neal	Orlando, Fla.
Georgia	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Benjamin F. Hardeman.	Athens, Ga.
Idaho	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir James H. Gaut	Lewiston, Idaho
Illinois	1914	R.∴E.∴Sir Thomas A. Stevens	Chicago, Ill.
Indiana	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Adrian Hamersley	Washington, Ind.
Iowa	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Lewis H. Moore	Des Moines, Iowa
Kansas	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir William H. Martin	Parsons, Kans.
Kentucky	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Charles N. Smith	Danville, Ky.
Louisiana	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir H. F. Grimm	New Orleans, La.
Maine	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Arthur S. Littlefield	Rockland, Md.
Maryland	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Robert D. Grier	Salisbury, Md.
Mass. and Rhode Island	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Frederick I. Dana	Providence, R. I.
Michigan	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir George L. Harvey	Port Huron, Mich.
Minnesota	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Eugene C. Bonniwell	Minneapolis, Minn.
Mississippi	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Willard H. Seavey	Brookhaven, Miss.
Missouri	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Ernest Fowkes	Hannibal, Mo.
Montana	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Stephen P. Wright	Butte, Mont.
Nebraska	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir George Willetts. Jr.	McCook, Neb.
New Hampshire	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Garvin R. Magoon	Lancaster, N. H.
New Mexico	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Amos W. Pollard	Deming, N. M.
New Jersey	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir William P. Hayes	Trenton, N. J.
New York	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir William F. Elmdorf	Buffalo, N. Y.
North Carolina	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir C. M. Vanstory	Greensboro, N. C.
North Dakota	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir George M. Pike	New Rockford, N. D.
Ohio	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Nelson Williams	Hamilton, Ohio
Oklahoma	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir James O. Scott	Muskogee, Okla.
Oregon	1914	R.∴E.∴Sir Dillon B. Grant	Portland, Ore.
Pennsylvania	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Bradley W. Lewis	Tunkhannock, Penn.
South Carolina	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir L. A. Melchers	Charleston, S. C.
South Dakota	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Wilbert D. Swain	Aberdeen, S. D.
Tennessee	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Hamilton F. Shoun	Greenville, Tenn.
Texas	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir William G. Newby	Fort Worth, Texas
Utah	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Charles F. Jennings	Salt Lake, Utah
Vermont	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Edward L. Bates	Bennington, Vt.
Virginia	1914	R.∴E.∴Sir Robert F. Taylor	Roanoke, Va.
Washington	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir John C. Minton	Bellingham, Wash.
West Virginia	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Luther E. Hale	Kyle, W. Va.
Wisconsin	1914	R.∴E.∴Sir Robert B. Lang	Racine, Wis.
Wyoming	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Jacob F. Hoop	Sheridan, Wyo.
Grand Encampment, U. S. A.	1915	R.∴E.∴Sir Lee S. Smith (Acting)	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Canada	1914	R.∴E.∴Sir Philip D. Gordon	Montreal, Can.

REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND COMMANDERIES NEAR THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

Grand Commandery of	Representative	Residence
Alabama	R.∴E.∴Sir William H. H. Soule	Brookline, Mass.
Arizona	R.∴E.∴Sir E. Bentley Young	Boston, Mass.
Arkansas	E.∴Sir Frank E. Davis	Northampton, Mass.
California	E.∴Sir Richard W. Smith	Boston, Mass.
Colorado	E.∴Sir Smith B. Harrington	Wollaston Heights, Mass.
Connecticut	E.∴Sir Arthur W. Dennis	Providence, R. I.
District of Columbia	E.∴Sir George T. Coppins	Newton, Mass.
Florida	E.∴Sir Henry C. Dexter	Providence, R. I.
Georgia	E.∴Sir Henry G. Jordan	Boston, Mass.
Idaho	E.∴Sir Judson C. Mackenzie	Fall River, Mass.
Illinois	E.∴Sir Newton D. Arnold	Providence, R. I.
Indiana	R.∴E.∴Sir Edwin A. Blodget	Springfield, Mass.
Indian Territory	R.∴E.∴Sir Walter W. Burnham	Providence, R. I.
Iowa	E.∴Sir Walter F. Medding	Malden, Mass.
Kansas	E.∴Sir Charles A. Estey	East Boston, Mass.
Kentucky	R.∴E.∴Sir John P. Sanborn	Newport, R. I.
Louisiana	E.∴Sir George E. Stacy	Milford, Mass.
Maryland	R.∴E.∴Sir Walter W. Burnham	Providence, R. I.
Maine	R.∴E.∴Sir Freeman C. Hersey	Boston, Mass.
Minnesota	E.∴Sir James S. Blake	Brookline, Mass.
Mississippi	E.∴Sir Benjamin W. Rowell	Lynn, Mass.
Missouri	E.∴Sir Harry G. Pollard	Lowell, Mass.
Montana	R.∴E.∴Sir Winthrop Messenger	Melrose, Mass.
Nebraska	E.∴Sir William H. Emerson	Brockton, Mass..
New Hampshire	R.∴E.∴Sir George L. Shepley	Providence, R. I.
New Jersey	E.∴Sir William J. Bolton	Athol, Mass.
New Mexico	R.∴E.∴Sir Dana J. Flanders	Malden, Mass.
New York	R.∴E.∴George H. Allen	Lynn, Mass.
North Carolina	R.∴E.∴Sir Frank L. Nagle	Newton, Mass.
North Dakota	E.∴Sir Charles E. Pierce	South Boston, Mass.
Ohio	R.∴E.∴Sir Charles I. Litchfield	Plymouth, Mass.
Oklahoma	R.∴E.∴Sir Caleb Saunders	Lawrence, Mass.
Oregon	E.∴Sir Harry P. Ballard	Malden, Mass.
Pennsylvania	E.∴Sir Arthur G. Pollard	Lowell, Mass.
South Carolina	E.∴Sir Benjamin W. Rowell	Lynn, Mass.
South Dakota	E.∴Sir Asa C. Jewett	Newton Centre, Mass.
Tennessee	E.∴Sir J. Gilman Waite	Medford, Mass.
Texas	R.∴E.∴Sir J. Albert Blake	Malden, Mass.
Utah	Rev. and E.∴Sir R. Perry Bush	Chelsea, Mass.
Vermont	E.∴Sir Isaac Chase	Cambridge, Mass.
Virginia	E.∴Sir Charles C. Spellman	Springfield, Mass.
Washington	E.∴Sir Frederick I. Dana	Providence, R. I.
West Virginia	E.∴Sir George H. Grant	Providence, R. I.
Wisconsin	V.∴E.∴Sir William W. Johnson	Worcester, Mass.
Wyoming	E.∴Sir Eugene A. Holton	Boston, Mass.

REPRESENTATIVES OF THIS GRAND COMMANDERY NEAR OTHER GRAND COMMANDERIES

Grand Commandery of	Representatives	Residence
Alabama	E∴Sir Russell M. Cunningham	Ensky, Ala.
Arizona	E∴Sir George J. Roskruge	Tucson, Ariz.
Arkansas	R∴E∴Sir J. B. Grove	Marianna, Ark.
California	E∴Sir∴Albert E. Boynton	San Francisco, Cal.
Colorado	R∴E∴Sir Lawrence N. Greenleaf	Denver, Colo.
Connecticut	R∴E∴Sir Eli C. Birdsey	Meriden Conn.
District of Columbia	R∴E∴Sir Gratz E. Dunkum	Washington, D.C.
Florida	E∴Sir Charles H. Ketchum	Key West, Fla.
Georgia	E∴Sir Joseph K. Orr	Atlanta, Ga.
Idaho	E∴Sir Byron E. Hyatt	Boisé, Idaho
Illinois	R∴E∴Stuart E. Pierson	Carrollton, Ill.
Indiana	E∴Sir Leonidas P. Newby	Knightstown, Ind.
Iowa	E∴Sir Wilbur F. Fidlar	Davenport, Iowa
Kansas	R∴E∴Sir Edward W. Wellington	Ellsworth, Kan.
Kentucky	E∴Sir Lee D. Ray	Owensboro, Ky.
Louisiana	E∴Sir Lee E. Robinson	Welch, La.
Maryland	R∴E∴Sir Charles F. Bennett	Baltimore Md.
Maine	R∴E∴Sir John W. Ballou	Bath Maine
Minnesota	E∴Sir Alonzo T. Stebbins	Rochester, Minn.
Mississippi	E∴Sir E. R. McShan	Greenwood Miss.
Missouri	R∴E∴Sir John R Parson	St Louis, Mo
Montana	E∴Sir Joseph Hindson	Helena, Mont.
Nebraska	E∴Sir Eben K. Long	Omaha, Neb.
New Hampshire	E∴Sir Charles S Parker	Concord, N.H.
New Jersey	E∴Sir William H. Sebring	Plainfield, N.J.
New Mexico	E∴Sir Alpheus A. Keen	Albuquerque, N.M.
New York	E∴Sir J. Grafton Murdock	Olean, N.Y
North Carolina	E∴Sir James K. Norfleet	Winston N.C.
North Dakota	E∴and Rev. Sir Lawrence G. Moultrie	Valley City, N.D.
Ohio	E∴Sir Levi C. Goodale	Cincinnati Ohio
Oklahoma	E∴Sir Ira B Kirkland	Muskogee, Okla.
Oregon	E∴Sir Ralph D. Robinson	Portland, Ore
Pennsylvania	R∴E∴Sir James H. Codding	New York, N.Y.
South Carolina	E∴Sir J. L. Carson	Spartanburg, S.C.
South Dakota	E∴Sir Marshall F. Montgomery	Lead S.D.
Tennessee	E∴Sir George L. Cowan	Franklin, Tenn
Texas	E∴Sir John C. Kidd	Houston, Texas
Utah	E∴Sir Harry C. Baker	Ogden, Utah
Vermont	E∴Sir George H. Gorham	Bellows Falls Vt.
Virginia	R∴E∴Sir A. B. Botts	Fredericksburg Va.
Washington	E∴Sir John H. Shaw	Spokane, Wash.
West Virginia	E∴Sir John H. Krepps	Morgantown, W.Va.
Wisconsin	R∴E∴Sir Herbert N. Laflin	Milwaukee Wis
Wyoming	E∴Sir Francis E. Warren	Cheyenne Wyo.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Your Grand Recorder has received from all sources $8,101.50, as follows:

From the sale of "Grant's Tactics"	$3.50
From the sale of diplomas	9.00
From the sale of certificates	17.50
From the sale of Constitutions	44.00
From Annual Dues of Subordinate Commanderies	8,027.50
Making total receipts	$8,101.50

All of which has been paid to the Grand Treasurer.

Your Grand Recorder has on sale for the benefit of Grand Commandery, 316 Certificates at 25 cents each; 51 "Grant's Tactics," at 50 cents each; 81 copies of the Constitution, at $2.00 each.

Respectfully submitted,

B. W. Rowell

Grand Recorder.

On motion the report was accepted and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

IN GRAND COMMANDERY

BOSTON, October 26, 1915.

The Grand Treasurer has the honor to present the following report of the transactions of his office for the Templar year ending at date.

HIS RECEIPTS HAVE BEEN

From cash balance, as per last report	$7,543.48
From B. W. Rowell, Grand Recorder	8,101.50
From Roland O. Lamb, Treasurer of Trustees, (income of Grand Fund)	1,503.09
From interest on bank deposits	112.44
Total receipts	$17,260.51

HIS PAYMENTS HAVE BEEN

For printing	$2,038.05	
For rentals	1,321.08	
For officers' salaries	1,450.00	
For 10% receipts for dues (paid Trustees)	802.75	
For inspections	1,185.23	
For annual dues to Grand Encampment	908.60	
For collations and cigars	972.35	
For postage and stationery	45.92	
For telephone	57.23	
For jewel of Past Grand Commander	125.00	
For contingent fund of Grand Commander	200.00	
For engraving of Grand Commander for Proceedings	96.00	
For premium on officers' bonds and insurance	53.40	
For flowers for funerals	$47.64	
For incidental expenses	73.53	
Total payments	$9,376.78	
Balance to new account	7,883.73	
		$17,260.51

Respectfully submitted,

E. BENTLEY YOUNG,
Grand Treasurer.

On motion the report was accepted and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE GRAND FUND

Roland O. Lamb, *Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Grand Fund of the Grand Commandery, K.T., of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, for the year ending October* 26, 1915.

RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR DUE IN

November, 1914, and May, 1915, from		
Boston Elevated Street Ry.	$1,000.00 at 4½%	$45.00
December, 1914, and June, 1915, from		
Old Colony Railroad Co. . .	2,000.00 at 4%	80.00
January and July, 1915, from		
City of Pawtucket	1,000.00 at 4%	40.00
City of St. Paul	1,000.00 at 4½%	45.00
Boston & Maine Railroad .	1,000.00 at 4½%	45.00
Boston & Providence R.R. .	3,000.00 at 4%	120.00
American Tel. & Tel. Co. .	3,000.00 at 4%	120.00
February and August, 1915, from		
Boston & Maine R.R. . . .	3,000.00 at 4%	120.00
Old Colony R.R.	1,000.00 at 4%	40.00
March and September, 1915, from		
Milwaukee County	1,000.00 at 5%	50.00
N. Y., N. H. & H. R.R. . . .	4,000.00 at 4%	160.00
April and October, 1915, from		
City of Cleveland	2,000.00 at 4%	80.00
Cuyahoga County	1,000.00 at 5%	50.00
Boston & Maine R.R. . . .	5,000.00 at 4½%	225.00
Fitchburg R.R.	2,000.00 at 4%	80.00
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé R.R.	7,000.00 at 4%	280.00
October, 1914, to October, 1915, from		
First Nat. Bank, on deposits .		26.52
Home Savings Bank, on deposits, 6 mos.	600.00	12.00
		$1,618.52

EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR

Bond of Treasurer, 1 year, to Nov. 15, 1915	$50.00	
Rent of Safe Deposit Box, 1 year, to Jan. 15, 1916	10.00	
Accrued interest on $1,000.00, 5% Bond of Cuyahoga County, Ohio, due April, 1922, purchased at 103 and interest on Jan. 5, 1915, 3 months and 4 days	13.06	$73.06
		$1,545.46

NET INCOME FOR THE YEAR

Balance rendered Oct. 29, 1914	$2,850.69	
Paid E. Bentley Young, Grand Treasurer, Dec. 19, 1914, net income for year ending Oct. 29, 1914, per order Grand Commandery	1,503.09	1,347.60
Received from E. Bentley Young, Grand Treasurer, on Oct. 15, 1915, one tenth income of Grand Commandery for year 1915		802.75
		$3,695.81
January 15, 1915, bought of Blodgett & Co., Cuyahoga County, Ohio, Bond for $1,000.00, due April, 1922, with 5% interest at 103		1,030.00
Balance in First National Bank		$2,665.81

ROLAND O. LAMB, *Treasurer*,
WALTER F. MEDDING, *G. C.*,
E. BENTLEY YOUNG,
ARTHUR G. POLLARD,
Trustees.

Boston, October 19, 1915.

The receipts and expenditures as per above statement were examined and found correct.

JNO. M. RAYMOND,
JAMES M. GLEASON,
CHARLES A. ESTEY,
Finance Committee.

OCTOBER, 1915

The Grand Fund, at par, is invested as follows:

Deposited in Home Savings Bank, Book 57076	$600.00
Deposited in First National Bank	2,665.81

IN BONDS

City of Pawtucket 4%, due July, 1950, No. 58	$1,000.00
City of St. Paul 4½%, due July, 1918, No. 7022	1,000.00
City of Cleveland 4%, due Oct., 1918, No. 539 Reg.	2,000.00
Milwaukee County 5%, due Sept., 1926, No. 369	1,000.00
Cuyahoga County 5%, due April, 1922, No. 24	1,000.00
Boston & Maine R. R. Co., 4%, due Feb., 1937, No. 360 Reg.	3,000.00
Boston & Maine R.R. Co. 4½%, due Jan., 1944, No. 239	1,000.00
Boston & Maine R.R. Co. 4½%, due April, 1929, Nos. 3133–37, incl.	5,000.00
Fitchburg R.R. Co. 4%, due April, 1927, Nos. C 1818–19	2,000.00
Boston & Providence R.R. Co. 4%, due July, 1918 Nos. 1204, 2091–2092	3,000.00
Old Colony R.R. Co. 4%, due Dec., 1925, Nos. 2355–56	2,000.00
Old Colony R.R. Co. 4%, due Feb., 1924, No. 890	1,000.00
N. Y., N. H. & H. R.R. Co. 4%, due March, 1947, Nos. 2124–5–6, 2130	4,000.00
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé R.R. Co. 4%, due Oct., 1995, Nos. 43757–58, $1,000 each; D05858–59–05069, 14332–14335–36–34839, 36000–49939–40, $500 each	7,000.00
Boston Elevated St. Ry. Co. 4½%, due Nov., 1941, No. 3875	1000.00
American Tel. & Tel. Co. 4%, due July, 1929, No. 49957–8–9	3,000.00
	$41,265.81

BALANCE SHEET

Balance at par Oct. 27, 1914		$40,450.69	
Paid the Grand Treasurer		1,503.09	
		$38,947.60	
Received from Grand Treasurer	$802.75		
Cr. Cuyahoga Co. Bond to par	30.00	$772.75	
		$39,720.35	
Net income for year 1914–15		1,545.46	
Balance as above		$41,265.81	

ROLAND O. LAMB,
Treasurer for Trustees.

This is to certify that we have this day verified the Bank Balances and examined the above securities and find them to agree with above list.

JNO. M. RAYMOND,
JAMES M. GLEASON,
CHARLES A. ESTEY,
Finance Committee.

BOSTON, October 19, 1915.

On motion the report was accepted and ordered to take the usual course and be printed in the Proceedings.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

BOSTON, October 26, 1915.

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

Your Committee on Finance beg leave to report that they have examined the books and accounts of the Grand Recorder, Grand Treasurer, and Trustees of the Grand Fund, and find the same correct, all payments being supported by proper vouchers.

They have also examined the property in the possession of the Grand Recorder and the securities held by the Trustees of the Grand Fund, and find their reports correct as rendered.

The receipts of the Grand Recorder have been as follows:

From dues of Subordinate Commanderies	$8,027.50
From sale of Constitutions	44.00
From the sale of certificates	17.50
From the sale of diplomas	9.00
From the sale of "Grant's Tactics"	3.50
Making a total of	$8,101.50

which amount has been paid to the Grand Treasurer and receipts given therefor.

The receipts of the Grand Treasurer have been as follows:

Cash balance as per last report	$7,543.48
Received from B. W. Rowell, Grand Recorder	8,101.50
Received from income of the Grand Fund for 1914	1,503.09
Interest on bank deposits	112.44
Making a total of	$17,250.51

His payments have been as follows:

Sundry accounts, detailed as per his report Vouchers for same being approved.	$7,665.43	
Dues to the Grand Encampment of the U. S.	908.60	
To Trustees of the Grand Fund, one tenth annual receipts	802.75	
Balance on hand, as per his report	7,883.73	
Making a total		$17,250.51

Your committee would recommend that the salary of the Grand Treasurer be three hundred ($300) dollars and that of the Grand Recorder one thousand ($1,000) dollars for the ensuing year.

Your committee would also recommend that the amount of the Contingent Fund for the Grand Commander be two hundred dollars ($200) dollars for the ensuing year.

Courteously submitted,

JNO. M. RAYMOND,
JAMES M. GLEASON,
CHARLES A. ESTEY.

On motion the report was accepted and the recommendations therein contained adopted.

ADDRESS OF THE R∴E∴GRAND COMMANDER

R∴E∴SIR WALTER F. MEDDING

The Grand Commander of Knights Templars
and the Appending Orders of
Massachusetts and Rhode Island

Eminent Sir Knights:

As we meet to-day in annual conclave, it becomes our duty to review the past, consider the present, and plan for the future welfare of our Grand Commandery.

Before entering upon those duties let us pause for a moment and direct our thoughts in grateful appreciation to Him who has been the Guiding Spirit in all our successes and in all our prosperity, humbly praying that He may continue to direct us in those paths which shall lead to the uplifting of all mankind and the advancement of the noble Order of Knights Templar.

I bid you a courteous and knightly greeting to this One Hundred and Tenth Annual Conclave, rejoicing in the fact that we are permitted to meet again under such favorable conditions and in such large numbers. Refreshed by the vacation days of the summer, and strengthened by the bracing air of lake, mountain, and shore, let us enter upon our duties with renewed vigor and a determination to make our Order stronger and better and a more powerful influence for good throughout the world.

NECROLOGY

"In the midst of Life we are in Death." While the number of those fraters who have been called to the Asylum above seems to have been less than during the first half year, yet, all too frequently we are called upon to record the passing of some valiant Knight, and today we mourn the loss of many distinguished fraters whose influence has been felt in the past in this Grand Commandery, but who now have passed to the Great Beyond, "there to receive the rewards that await the valiant soldiers of the Cross."

E∴Sir William B. Gaines, Past Commander of Connecticut Valley Commandery, No. 23, died at his home in Greenfield, Massachusetts, June 11, 1915. He was born at Guilford, Vermont, in 1861, and educated in the public schools of his native town. He removed to Greenfield in early life and for a period of about thirty-five years was active in the business and social life of the city and was prominent in all the branches of Masonry. Knighted in Connecticut Valley Commandery, No. 23, April 2, 1895, he served as Eminent Commander in 1911 and 1912. He is survived by a widow and one son.

E∴Sir Isaac Newton Marshall was born in North Andover, Massachusetts, January 19, 1841, and died at his home in Wareham, Massachusetts, Friday, June 25, 1915, aged seventy-four years.

Eminent Sir Marshall enlisted in the Sixth Regiment at the outbreak of the civil war, and was mustered out as lieutenant. He was always prominent in military affairs, and in 1900 he was elected major of the Sixth Regiment, and retired in 1909 with the rank of lieutenant-colonel.

He served the city of New Bedford as alderman and held other elective offices while residing there.

By occupation he was a thorough railroad man. Starting as clerk for the Boston, Lowell & Nashua Railroad he advanced to the position of agent at New Bedford for the Old Colony Railroad, which position he held for several years. He was then advanced to the position of division superintendent of the Taunton Division of the N. Y., N. H. & H. Railroad Co., from which position he retired a few years ago and took up his residence at Wareham, Massachusetts.

Eminent Sir Marshall was raised in Star of the East Lodge, May 18, 1874; was exalted in Adoniram Royal Arch Chapter

December 26, 1879, and became a charter member of Wareham Chapter, serving as secretary of that chapter until the time of his death.

He was knighted in Sutton Commandery, No. 16, April 15, 1880, and served as its Eminent Commander in 1890 and 1891. He served this Grand Commandery as Grand Lecturer from October 27, 1898, to October 31, 1900.

He was a member of the Massachusetts Consistory, having received his thirty-second degree February 28, 1896. He was also a Past Grand Patron of the Order of the Eastern Star, having served in 1913.

Eminent Sir Marshall is survived by a widow, Mrs. Mary E. Marshall, a daughter, Mrs. Abby F. Morse, wife of Dr. Charles E. Morse, of Wareham, and a son, Harry H. Marshall, of Boston.

E∴Sir CHARLES CASPER HENRY passed to eternal life April 12, 1915, after a severe and protracted illness.

He was born in Brooklyn, New York, November 1, 1852, and received his early education in the public schools of that city and in Columbia Institute, at Washington, District of Columbia.

At the age of eighteen he removed to Natick, Massachusetts, and engaged in various mercantile ventures until 1881, when he entered the employ of the Boston & Albany Railroad.

In May, 1884, he was appointed station agent at Wellesley Hills, which position he filled for a number of years.

He was elected auditor for the town of Wellesley and filled that position until pressing duties compelled him to relinquish it.

He was appointed and served as deputy sheriff for Norfolk County and as court officer until he was advanced to the position of deputy probation officer for Norfolk and Plymouth Counties, a position for which his kindly nature particularly fitted him and in which he discharged the duties in a firm and impartial manner until his health caused him to be retired under the laws of the Commonwealth.

Eminent Sir Henry was a man of distinguished ability, firm in his own convictions, tolerant of the opinions of others, and charitable to all mankind.

His Masonic record is as follows:

Raised a Master Mason in Meridian Lodge of Natick, Massachusetts, in 1878, he was elected Worshipful Master in 1886 and 1887, and subsequently served his Lodge as Secretary for a period of twenty-five years. In Grand Lodge he was District Deputy Grand Master in 1897 and 1898.

Exalted a Royal Arch Mason in Parker Royal Arch Chapter, of Natick, in 1884, he was elected Excellent High Priest in 1891. In Grand Chapter he served as District Deputy Grand High Priest from 1893 to 1895, and in December, 1897, was elected Grand Scribe.

Created a Knight Templar in Natick Commandery, No. 33, K. T., he served in the several stations of Prelate, Recorder, and Generalissimo, and was elected Eminent Commander in September, 1901, serving one year.

He was a member of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, thirty-second degree, and a Past Potentate of Aleppo Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He was buried with Masonic honors, and a large concourse of his friends and Masonic brethren attended the funeral service, attesting their love and respect.

E∴Sir THOMAS KELLOUGH died at Winchester, Massachusetts, September 16, 1915, aged eighty-two years, ten months. He was born in the town of Gay's River, Nova Scotia, September 6, 1833, son of Thomas and Jennie (Henderson) Kellough. Educated in the public schools, he came to Boston in 1856, and learned his trade of shipwright in East Boston. Later he took contracts to build ships, which led to his connection with the foreign steamship business. He was for eighteen years actively engaged in fitting steamships in the carrying trade of livestock, cattle, sheep, grain, and other commodities, from Boston to European ports. He retired from active business in February, 1895. Was appointed superintendent of the ferries, May 1, 1895, which position he filled with much ability and credit to himself, retiring at the expiration of his two years term to private life.

E∴ Sir Thomas Kellough was made a Master Mason in Baalbec Lodge, East Boston, April 21, 1874, and became deeply interested in the work and charities of the Masonic fraternity.

He was a member of the Board of Directors, East Boston Masonic Building Association, for thirty-three years. He was a Past Master of Baalbec Lodge; Past High Priest of St. John's Royal Arch Chapter; Past Thrice Illustrious Master of East Boston Council of Royal and Select Masters; Past Commander and Honorary Member of William Parkman Commandery, Knights Templars; Past District Deputy Grand High Priest, and Past Grand King of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts; Past Sovereign Prince Grand Master of Giles F. Yates Council of Princes of Jerusalem; received the degree and elected in 1895 a member of the Royal Order of Scotland and Knight of R. S. Y. C. S.; Second Lieutenant-Commander of the Council of Deliberation, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction; elected and received the thirty-third degree September 19, 1895.

He became a citizen of the United States in the year 1859, was elected a member of the Massachusetts Charitable Mechanic Association in 1882, and served on several important committees. In politics he was a steadfast Republican.

He was married in Boston, May 25, 1859, to Miss Mary West Tyler, daughter of Job and Lucy Tyler, of South Danvers, Massachusetts. She died February 19, 1870, leaving three children, two now living, Arthur F., of San Diego, Cal., and Jennie H. (now Mrs. Edward G. Graves). He was married second, June 15, 1874, to Annie M. Kenney, of Boston. The children by this marriage are Eva T., Charles T., Hattie W. (now Mrs. R. G. Bicknell, of Worcester), Bertha M. (now Mrs. A. L. Danforth, of Brookline).

In the community in which Eminent Sir Kellough lived he was esteemed as a man of integrity, upright and honorable in all his dealings as a citizen and master mechanic.

E∴ Sir James M. Bishop, Past Commander of Holy Sepulchre Commandery, No. 8, died in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, July 29, 1915. Eminent Sir Bishop was born in East Providence, Rhode Island, in 1844, and removed with his parents to Pawtucket when a boy. He was educated in the schools of that city and learned the business of sash and blind making, which he followed practically all of his life. He was active in city affairs and served on many important commissions, particularly those relating to street widening and the abolition of grade crossings.

He was active in Masonry, having been raised in Union Lodge, No. 10, in 1869, exalted in Pawtucket R. A. Chapter, No. 4, in 1870, and knighted in Holy Sepulchre Commandery, No. 8, in 1870, serving as its Eminent Commander in 1884. He was also a member of Pawtucket Council, R. and S. M.

He is survived by a widow and two sons.

SISTER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

R∴ E∴ Sir David Blin Fuller, Past Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of Kansas. Born at Albion, Maine, January 18, 1853. Died at Eureka, Kansas, May 17, 1915.

R∴ E∴ Sir William G. Hall, Past Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of Missouri. Born at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, September 10, 1831. Died at Kansas City, Missouri, June 11, 1915.

R∴ E∴ Sir George Edward Dickson, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Washington. Born at Richmond, Canada, October 27, 1861. Died at Seattle, Washington, June 19, 1915.

R∴ E∴ Sir James Elliott, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Indian Territory. Born at Youngstown, Ohio, May 9, 1853. Died at Albuquerque, New Mexico, July 9, 1915.

R∴ E∴ Sir George F. Loder, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of the State of New York. Born at Irondequoit, New York, September 21, 1842. Died at Rochester, New York, August 8, 1915.

R.·.E.·.Sir David Hamilton Craig, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Wyoming. Born near Belfast, Ireland, December 5, 1858. Died at Evanston, Wyoming, June 14, 1915.

GENERAL DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

Believing that many requests would be made by Commanders to appear in public with their Commands for the purpose of making pilgrimages, the celebration of St. John's day, etc., I caused to be issued General Orders No. 3, as follows:

Office of the R.·.E.·.Grand Commander,
206 Ferry Street, Malden, Mass.

General Orders, No. 3.
Series of 1914-1915.

To the Eminent Commanders, Officers, and Sir Knights of the Jurisdiction of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

Greeting: In order that the several Commanderies of this jurisdiction may observe the anniversary of St. John's Day by a Pilgrimage or Field Day,

I, by virtue of the power in me vested as the Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, hereby grant this, my dispensation, authorizing the Commanderies throughout this jurisdiction to parade within this jurisdiction in full Templar uniform, with or without banners and music, during the period between and including the first and the thirtieth days of June, 1915, for the purpose of celebrating the anniversary of St. John's Day, making fraternal visitations, or for other purposes.

Due and proper return to be made to me of the action had under this authority within thirty days of its acceptance, and this dispensation filed in the archives of the Commandery and spread in full upon the records.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Grand Commandery this first day of June, A.D. 1915, A.O. 797.

[seal]

WALTER F. MEDDING,
Grand Commander.

Attest:
B. W. ROWELL,
Grand Recorder.

Acting under the authority of the foregoing General Order, the following named Commanderies met at Providence, Rhode Island, on June 24th, and participated in a grand parade, followed by a sail in Narragansett Bay and a shore dinner at Rocky Point.

St. John's, No. 1
Worcester County, No. 5
Holy Sepulchre, No. 8
Palestine, No. 10
Milford, No. 11
Calvary, No. 13
Old Colony, No. 15
Woonsocket, No. 24
Narragansett, No. 27
Bristol, No. 29
South Shore, No. 31
Cœur de Lion, No. 34
Gethsemane, No. 35
Olivet, No. 36

It was my privilege to be present upon this occasion, with nearly all the Grand Officers, who were honored with a position at the head of the lines.

The parade was a magnificent affair and was participated in by more than fifteen hundred Sir Knights.

I am convinced that such appearance in public brings good results, not only serving as a benefit to our own Sir Knights, but to the community at large.

The sail upon the bay, the bountiful dinner, and the social intercourse of the Sir Knights made the day one of much enjoyment to all.

Much credit is due to the committee in charge for the successful fruition of their labors.

June 17–20th. Beauseant Commandery, No. 41, with their ladies, made a pilgrimage to the Rangeley Lakes House, Rangeley, Maine.

June 24th. Pilgrim Commandery, No. 9, journeyed to the Hotel Wentworth, Newcastle, New Hampshire.

St. Omer Commandery, No. 21, with the Sir Knights of St. Paul Commandery, of Dover, New Hampshire, as guests, visited Manchester-by-the-Sea.

Sutton Commandery, No. 16, spent two days at Nantucket.

Winslow Lewis Commandery, No. 18, together with St. George Commandery, No. 44, and Bethlehem Commandery, No. 43, served as escort to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts upon the occasion of the laying the corner stone of the new Masonic Temple in Salem.

Springfield Commandery, No. 6, visited Riverside Park.

Jerusalem Commandery, No. 19, were hosts to the Sir Knights of St. George Commandery, of Nashua, New Hampshire, spending the day at Whalom Park, Fitchburg, Massachusetts.

Newburyport Commandery, No. 3, journeyed to the Farragut House, at Rye Beach, New Hampshire.

Berkshire Commandery, No. 22, and St. Paul Commandery, No. 40, enjoyed a Trio Templar Field Day at Bennington, Vermont, with Taft Commandery of that city.

June 25th–28th. De Molay Commandery, No. 7, with their ladies, made a pilgrimage to Soo-Nipi Park, Sunapee Lake, New Hampshire.

June 26th. Boston Commandery, No. 2, enjoyed an outing at Hotel Wentworth, Newcastle, New Hampshire.

SPECIAL DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

May 19th. A dispensation was granted to Cambridge Commandery, No. 42, to parade with music and banners, in full Templar uniform, for the purpose of making a pilgrimage to Portland, Maine, and vicinity in celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Commandery, May 28th–30th.

Also to Bethlehem Commandery, No. 43, who accompanied Cambridge Commandery, No. 42, upon the above named pilgrimage.

August 24th. To Bethany Commandery, No. 17, to parade in full Templar uniform, with music and banners, for the purpose of making a pilgrimage to Peak's Island, Portland Harbor, Maine, September 4–6th.

August 26th. To Haverhill Commandery, No. 14, to hold their conclave in Elks Home, Haverhill, Massachusetts, during the time in which their asylum was unavailable, owing to reconstruction and repairs to the building.

September 9th. To Boston Commandery, No. 2, and De Molay Commandery, No. 7, to parade in full Templar uniform, with banners and music, for the purpose of celebrating a joint outing at Pemberton, Massachusetts, September 11th.

October 1st. To Bethlehem Commandery, No. 43, to parade on October 22d in full Templar uniform, with music and banners, for the purpose of celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Commandery, and to Cambridge Commandery, No. 42, to parade under like conditions to join with Bethlehem Commandery in the foregoing celebration.

October 5th. To Jerusalem Commandery, No. 19, to parade in full Templar uniform, October 10th, with or without music or banners, for the purpose of acting as escort to Charles W. Moore Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Fitchburg on the occasion of the celebration by that Lodge of its fiftieth anniversary.

KNIGHTLY COURTESIES RECEIVED

R.·. E.·. Arthur S. Littlefield, Grand Commander of Maine, courteously granted dispensations, permitting the following named Commanderies to enter that Grand Jurisdiction in full Templar uniform, with or without music or banners, for the purpose of making pilgrimages or outings:

Cambridge, No. 42, to Portland and vicinity.
Bethlehem, No. 43, to Portland and vicinity.
Beauseant, No. 41, to Rangeley Lakes.
Bethany, No. 17, to Peak's Island.

Like courtesies were received from R.·. E.·. Arthur S. Bunton, Grand Commander of New Hampshire, in behalf of the following named Commanderies:

Boston, No. 2, to Newcastle.
Pilgrim, No. 9, to Newcastle.
Newburyport, No. 3, to Rye Beach.
De Molay, No. 7, to Sunapee Lake.
Cambridge, No. 42, en route.
Bethlehem, No. 43, en route.
Beauseant, No. 41, en route.
Bethany, No. 17, en route.

From R.·. E.·. Edward L. Bates, Grand Commander of Vermont, permitting St. Paul Commandery, No. 40, and Berkshire, No. 22, to enter that Grand Jurisdiction at Bennington.

KNIGHTLY COURTESIES GRANTED

To St. Paul Commandery, of Dover, New Hampshire, to enter the Grand Jurisdiction of Massachusetts and Rhode Island as the guests of St. Omer Commandery, No. 21, on St. John's Day.

To St. George Commandery, of Nashua, New Hampshire, to enter this Grand Jurisdiction as the guests of Jerusalem Commandery, No. 19, on St. John's Day.

To Beauseant Commandery, of Brattleboro, Vermont, to enter this Grand Jurisdiction as the guests of Connecticut Valley Commandery, No. 23, on St. John's Day.

At the request of Beauseant Commandery, No. 8, of Baltimore, Maryland, the Order of Malta was conferred, on June 14th, upon Sir Knight Allen E. Dorr, by Berkshire Commandery, No. 22.

RELEASE OF JURISDICTION GRANTED

At the request of Northampton Commandery, No. 30, Toledo Commandery, No. 7, of Toledo, Ohio, through R.·.E.·. Nelson Williams, Grand Commander of Ohio, granted, on July 2d, a waiver of jurisdiction over Companion P. M. J. Lindstrom, a resident of Toledo, in favor of Northampton Commandery, No. 30.

At the request of Jerusalem Commandery, No. 19, St. George Commandery of Nashua, New Hampshire, through R.·.E.·. Arthur S. Bunton, Grand Commander of New Hampshire, granted, on September 3d, a waiver of jurisdiction over Companion James C. Taft, of Greenville, New Hampshire, in favor of Jerusalem Commandery, No. 19.

RELEASE OF JURISDICTION REFUSED

On April 8th Narragansett Commandery, No. 27, requested a waiver of jurisdiction over Companion David Henry Seamon, a resident of Poquonnock Bridge, Connecticut.

This request was forwarded to R.·.E.·. George H. N. Johnson, Grand Commander of Connecticut, who replied, on June 14th, that Palestine Commandery, No. 6, of New London, Connecticut, who held jurisdiction over the applicant, declined to grant the request.

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 4.

In accordance with the vote passed at the Semi-Annual Conclave in May, relative to the printing of the names and addresses of all members of this Grand Commandery in the annual printed Proceedings, the following General Order was issued.

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 4
SERIES OF 1914–1915

OFFICE OF THE R.·.E.·. GRAND COMMANDER,
206 FERRY STREET, MALDEN, MASSACHUSETTS.

To the Eminent Commanders of the Commanderies under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

Greeting: It is hereby ordered that the Eminent Commanders of this jurisdiction cause to be forwarded to the Grand Recorder, the day following their annual election of officers, the names and post office addresses of the Eminent Commander, Generalissimo, Captain-General, and all living Past Commanders of your Commandery, that the same may be printed in the Annual Proceedings for the year 1915.

Strict observance of this Order is officially requested.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Grand Commandery this first day of June, A.D. 1915, A.O. 797.

WALTER F. MEDDING,
Grand Commander.

ATTEST:
B. W. ROWELL,
[SEAL] *Grand Recorder.*

GRAND COMMANDERY, K. T., OF PENNSYLVANIA

On May 20th your Grand Commander received a very courteous and cordial invitation from R.·.E.·.A. Howard Thomas, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery, K. T., of Pennsylvania, to attend the Sixty-second Annual Conclave of that Grand Body.

Accepting this knightly courtesy, and accompanied by R.·.E.·.Frank L. Nagle, I proceeded to Philadelphia, where we both were most cordially received and hospitably entertained during our entire stay.

The annual conclave occupied two days, the first of which was devoted to a parade of all the Commanderies of the jurisdiction. This parade was a magnificent spectacle, composed of more than four thousand Sir Knights, representing every Commandery in the State; and the countermarch, with bands of music, standards, and colors, and the Sir Knights *en masse*, presented a scene not soon to be forgotten. The legislative session was followed by a public installation of the newly elected Grand Officers, and in the evening occurred a monster reception and ball.

Ladies were in attendance in large numbers, and everything possible was done for their entertainment and pleasure.

I desire in this public manner to express to the fraters of Pennsylvania my hearty appreciation of the courtesy and hospitality extended to me, and to thank them for the privilege of being present upon that happy occasion.

VISIT OF THE GRAND COMMANDER OF NEW YORK

On October 5th, R.·.E.·.William F. Elmendorf, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of the State of New York, made a fraternal visit to Northampton Commandery, No. 30, of Northampton, Massachusetts, and installed the officers of that Commandery.

It was my pleasant privilege to be present upon that occasion and extend to Right Eminent Sir Elmendorf the knightly greetings and hospitality of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, thereby, I trust, cementing more closely, if possible, the bonds of knightly brotherhood existing between the two Grand Jurisdictions.

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF CAMBRIDGE COMMANDERY

Cambridge Commandery, No. 42, E.·.Sir Elmer P. Sargent, Commander, celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary on May 28–30, 1915, and it was my great pleasure to be the guest of the Commandery upon that occasion.

A special conclave was opened in the asylum of the Commandery at noon, on May 28th, after which eighty-five Sir Knights and ladies boarded a special train and proceeded to Portland, Maine. Upon their arrival in that city they were received by E.·.Sir Edward B. Mallett, Grand Generalissimo; R.·.E.·.Clayton J. Farrington, Past Grand Commander, representing the Grand Commandery of Maine; E.·.Sir Herbert W. Robinson, Commander of St. Albans Commandery, and more than one hundred Sir Knights of Portland Commandery under command, of E.·.Sir George D. Loring, Commander, and escorted across the city to the Falmouth Hotel, the headquarters of Cambridge Commandery. Here they were joined by about twenty Sir Knights and ladies of Bethlehem Commandery, No. 43, under command of E.·.Sir Frank S. Elliott, Commander.

Following the anniversary banquet in the main dining room of the hotel, in the evening, the Commander, Eminent Sir Sargent, introduced E.·.Sir Charles M. Pear, Recorder, who read a most interesting history of the first quarter century of the life of the Commandery, after which congratulatory addresses were made by your Grand Commander and others of the fraters and guests.

Saturday, May 29th, was devoted to a sail among the islands of the harbor and a shore dinner at one of the famous resorts on Long Island. In the evening the fraters of Portland opened the Masonic Temple for the entertainment of the visitors, who took much pleasure in inspecting the beautiful home of the fraternity in that city, and dancing was enjoyed until a late hour.

On Sunday morning, May 30th, the Commandery attended divine worship at the church of Rev. James F. Albion, Grand Prelate, of the Grand Commandery of Maine, and in the afternoon were guests at a memorial day service, held in the municipal building, under the auspices of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The return to Cambridge was made in the early evening, the Sir Knights of Portland Commandery again acting as escort from the hotel to the train.

The twenty-fifth anniversary of Cambridge Commandery is now a matter of history, but the pleasure of its celebration will serve as a constant reminder of twenty-five years of progress and activity in the cause of Templary.

COMMISSIONS

Owing to the death of E∴Sir Harry Hunt, Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery of Oregon, near this Grand Commandery, I recommended to that Grand Body the name of E∴Sir Harry P. Ballard, of Beauseant Commandery, No. 41, of Malden, to fill the vacancy.

THE MASONIC WAR RELIEF ASSOCIATION OF THE U. S. A.

In response to the appeal issued January 13, 1915, in behalf of the Masonic War Relief Association of the U. S. A., the Eminent Grand Recorder reports that he has received from

Sutton Commandery, No. 16	$50.00
Berkshire Commandery, No. 22	50.00
Newburyport Commandery, No. 3	25.00
Olivet Commandery, No. 36	82.00
	$207.00

All of which has been forwarded to Most Eminent William B. Melish, Past Grand Master, Grand Encampment, K. T., U.S.A., chairman of the Executive Committee, and due acknowledgment has been received.

DECISIONS

No requests for rulings or decisions have been made except such as were of minor importance and readily answered by reference to the Grand Constitutions.

CONCLUSION

And now, Sir Knights, as I retire from this honorable station of Grand Commander, and return to you the emblem of authority with which you so graciously and harmoniously invested me a year ago, my feelings are those of mingled gratitude and regret,— gratitude that I should have been thus honored and thought worthy to preside over this magnificent body of Knights Templars,—and regret that the term of my activities as an officer of this Grand Commandery, extending over a period of nine years, and which has been to me a source of never-failing pleasure, is to terminate.

It is my earnest hope that I have in some degree contributed to the advancement of our noble Order, and that my administration of the affairs of this Grand Commandery has met with your approbation.

My sincere thanks are due and are cheerfully given to every officer and member for the loyal support and assistance accorded to me on every occasion, and I can assure my successor that, with the same hearty co-operation, his term of office will be one of pleasure and satisfaction.

Courteously submitted,
WALTER F. MEDDING,
Grand Commander.

On motion of R∴E∴Sir Freeman C. Hersey the address was ordered referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

In Grand Commandery
Boston, October 26, 1915.

The Committee on Jurisprudence, to whom was referred the Semi-Annual Address of Right Eminent Grand Commander Walter F. Medding, having duly considered the same, submit the following report:

Your committee are unanimous in their approval of the decision of the Grand Commander with reference to the violation of the territorial jurisdiction of "A" Commandery by "B" Commandery.

The dispensations granted seem to be in accordance with Templar law and have our approval.

We approve of the recommendation of the Grand Commander, "That the sum of one hundred dollars be appropriated and thereby secure membership in the Charter Roll of Honor in the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association."

The committee approve and commend the fitting tribute to the memories of our deceased fraters.

The committee note with pleasure the success that has attended the efforts of the Grand Commander during this the first period of his administration.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN P. SANBORN,
DANA J. FLANDERS,
J. ALBERT BLAKE,
Committee.

On motion the report of this committee was accepted and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE

E∴Sir Benjamin W. Rowell, Committee on Fraternal Correspondence, made a verbal report, in which he stated that the report of the committee was in type, and upon his request permission was granted him to print it in the Proceedings of this Annual Conclave.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS

To Grand Commandery:

Your Committee on By-laws have the honor to report that they have approved the By-laws of Northampton Commandery and have approved amendments to the By-laws of Sutton Commandery relative to yearly dues and life memberships.

Your committee has approved several amendments to the By-laws of Olivet Commandery, and has disapproved Section 2, Article III, of the By-laws, which requires a candidate to present himself to receive the Orders within six months of his election. Section 139, Stat. G. E., allows twelve months.

A majority of your committee has also disapproved Section 2, Article I.

CONST. G. E. CONCLAVES

"Section 96. The stated conclaves of a Commandery shall be held at least quarterly, at such time and place as may be specified in the charter or designated in the by-laws of the Commandery."

STAT. G. E. CONCLAVE

"Section 171. The stated conclaves of a Commandery must be held at the time fixed in its by-laws."

Grand Commandery at its Annual Conclave in Boston, 1913, accepted and approved the report of the Committee on By-laws which disapproved Section 1, Article III, of Old Colony Commandery, which provided that, "The regular conclaves shall be held on the fourth Monday of each month, at such hour as the Eminent Commander shall direct, but the Commandery may by vote suspend them during the summer months."

This conclave was very largely attended.

At the Semi-Annual Conclave of Grand Commandery in Providence, 1915, that part of the report of the Committee on By-laws disapproving the By-laws of Ivanhoe and of South Shore Commanderies, permitting the Eminent Commander to call regular conclaves at any hour he wished, was rejected and such authority was granted.

This conclave was not largely attended.

Thus Grand Commandery has decided the same question two ways.

Your committee respectfully suggests that action may be taken today to remedy a situation at once inconsistent and troublesome.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER W. BURNHAM,
S. EVERETT TINKHAM.

Boston, Massachusetts, October 26, 1915.

On motion to receive the report it was so ordered.

E∴Sir Joseph T. Paul, of Boston Commandery, No. 2, presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the action taken by the Grand Commandery at the Semi-Annual Conclave in May, 1915, whereby the By-laws of Ivanhoe and South Shore Commanderies, governing the hour of meeting, were approved, be ratified.

After much discussion by many members of Grand Commandery a resolution was offered that the whole subject matter be laid upon the table. Which was adopted.

ACTION ON THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS

The report of the committee was then adopted with the exception of that part of the By-laws of Olivet Commandery, No. 36, relating to time of meeting and length of time for candidate to appear after election.

RESOLUTION BY R.·.E.·.SIR WALTER W. BURNHAM

R.·.E.·.Sir Walter W. Burnham offered the following resolution, which was upon motion adopted:

Resolved, That the matter of construction of Section 96 of Const. G. E. be referred to the R.·.E.·.Grand Commander, with instructions to request the M.·.E.·.Grand Master for a ruling.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY

The report of the committee as submitted upon the notice of this conclave was then adopted as a whole as follows:

To Grand Commandery:

The Committee on Revision of Constitution and By-laws, to whom was referred the question of procedure under Section 112, Constitution of the Grand Encampment, and Section 11, Constitution of the Grand Commandery, have the honor to recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That in the event of a violation of said Section 112, Constitution of the Grand Encampment, and Section 11, Constitution of the Grand Commandery, the Commander of the offended Commandery shall immediately notify the Grand Commander of such offense by written notification attested by its Recorder; the Grand Commander shall discipline such offending Commandery and shall require it to pay over forthwith to such offended Commandery the fees received from such sojourner.

As to the question of procedure under Sections 184 and 185, Statutes of the Grand Encampment, and Section 10, Constitution of the Grand Commandery, it is apparent that all these sections refer to *the Commandery having jurisdiction,* not to Commanderies having jurisdiction.

Your committee therefore recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Commandery which desires waiver for a sojourner resident of a jurisdiction held concurrently by two or more Commanderies, shall apply for such waiver to one of such Commanderies; the concurrent right of such other Commandery or Commanderies shall thereupon cease.

Your committee further recommends that copies of these resolutions be printed in form suitable to be inserted between pages 20 and 21 of the Constitution of the Grand Commandery, that the words "on demand," in the eighth line of said Section 11, be stricken out, as said words conflict with the language and intent of said Section 112 of the Constitution of Grand Encampment; that the words, "Title XXXV" and the numeral "1" on pages 24 and 25 of the Constitution of the Grand Commandery, be stricken out, and the numerals "189" be substituted therefor, so that the lines shall read ". . . the *penalty of Section* 189 . . ." and that said resolutions, words, and numerals be so inserted.

Section 271, Statutes of the Grand Encampment having been repealed (Proceedings G. E. 1913, p. 231, and Report on Correspondence, Massachusetts and Rhode Island, p. 34, 1914), and a new Section 271 substituted therefor, your committee further recommends that said new Section 271 be printed in form suitable to be inserted in the place of former Section 271, between pages 60 and 61 of the Statutes of the Grand Encampment, and that said new Section 271 be so inserted; that the word "and" in the second line of page 39, Resolves, etc., be stricken out, and the word "or" be substituted therefor between the words Commander and Commandery, to agree with Section 129, Statutes of the Grand Encampment; that item 1, Candidates, page 40, Resolves, etc., be stricken out, and the following item 1 be substituted therefor:

1. Sections 8 and 10, Constitution of Grand Commandery, apply not only to a rejected candidate, but also to an elected

candidate who has failed to present himself to receive the Orders. (Sects. 139 and 154, Stat. G. E.)

And that said new item be printed in form suitable to be inserted between pages 40 and 41 of said Resolves, etc., and that said new item 1 be so inserted.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER W. BURNHAM,
DANA MALONE,
EDWARD W. WOODWARD,
CHAS. A. PEABODY,
B. W. ROWELL,
Committee.

The Eminent Grand Recorder reported that he had received a communication from M. E. Sir William B. Melish, chairman of the Committee on War Relief, and moved that the same be referred to the incoming Grand Commander, and it was so ordered.

RESOLUTION BY R.·.E.·.SIR WALTER W. BURNHAM

Right Eminent Sir Burnham spoke at length regarding the Chamber of Commerce Building in Market Square, Providence, formerly the home of Masonry in Providence, Rhode Island, and offered the following resolution, which was upon motion practically unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That a sum not to exceed $25 be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of joining other Masonic societies in the erection of a suitable tablet on the Chamber of Commerce building in Market Square, Providence, Rhode Island, formerly the City Hall and Market Building, and for many years the home of Masonry and Templary in said city of Providence, and that a committee of one be appointed to co-operate with committees representing other Masonic Bodies.

V.·.E.·.Sir Frederick I. Dana then offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the income of the Grand Fund for the fiscal year be and is hereby ordered to be transferred from the Treasurer of the Grand Fund to the Treasurer of the Grand Commandery.

ROLL-CALL OF COMMANDERIES

The roll-call of Commanderies was then called and all responded as follows:

Name of Commandery	No. of Commandery	Location of Commandery
St. Johns	1	Providence, R. I.
Boston	2	Boston, Mass.
Newburyport	3	Newburyport, Mass.
Washington	4	Newport, R.I.
Worcester County	5	Worcester, Mass.
Springfield	6	Springfield, Mass.
De Molay	7	Boston, Mass.
Holy Sepulchre	8	Pawtucket, R.I.
Pilgrim	9	Lowell, Mass.
Palestine	10	Chelsea, Mass.
Milford	11	Milford, Mass.
St. Bernard	12	Boston, Mass.
Calvary	13	Providence, R.I.
Haverhill	14	Haverhill, Mass.
Old Colony	15	Abington, Mass.
Sutton	16	New Bedford, Mass.
Bethany	17	Lawrence, Mass.
Winslow Lewis	18	Salem, Mass.
Jerusalem	19	Fitchburg, Mass.
Hugh de Payens	20	Melrose, Mass.
St. Omer	21	Dorchester, Mass.
Berkshire	22	Pittsfield, Mass.
Connecticut Valley	23	Greenfield, Mass.
Woonsocket	24	Woonsocket, R.I.
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	Fall River, Mass.
Joseph Warren	26	Roxbury, Mass.
Narragansett	27	Westerly, R.I.
William Parkman	28	East Boston, Mass.
Bristol	29	Attleboro, Mass.
Northampton	30	Northampton, Mass.
South Shore	31	East Weymouth, Mass.
Trinity	32	Hudson, Mass.
Natick	33	Natick, Mass.
Cœur de Lion	34	Charlestown, Mass.
Gethsemane	35	Newtonville, Mass.
Olivet	36	Lynn, Mass.
Athol	37	Athol, Mass.
Bay State	38	Brockton, Mass.
Cyprus	39	Hyde Park, Mass.
Beauseant	41	Malden, Mass.
Cambridge	42	Cambridge, Mass.
Bethlehem	43	Gloucester, Mass.
St. George	44	Beverly, Mass.
Orange	45	Orange, Mass.
Ivanhoe	46	Gardner, Mass.
Quincy	47	Quincy, Mass.

The Right Eminent Grand Commander then introduced to the Eminent Sir Knights present, V. E. Sir and Rev. Henry R. Freeman, Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment of the United States of America, who addressed Grand Commandery in a most forcible and pleasing manner, and at the conclusion of his remarks received the continued applause of all the Sir Knights present.

RFPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE DAY

The Committee of the Day, consisting of E. Sirs Eugene A. Holton, J. Gilman Waite, and Everett C. Benton, reported that dinner would be served in the Banquet Hall at one o'clock. The Grand Commander then ordered a recess until two o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The hour of 2.40 o'clock having arrived, the Sir Knights were called to order in the asylum and the business of the conclave proceeded with.

The Roll of Representatives of Sister Grand Jurisdictions was then called, when the following responded as being present.

Grand Commandery of	Representative	Residence
Alabama	R∴E∴Sir William H. H. Soule	Brookline, Mass.
Arizona	R∴E∴Sir E. Bentley Young	Boston, Mass.
California	E∴Sir Richard W. Smith	Boston, Mass.
Colorado	E∴Sir Smith B. Harrington	Wollaston Heights, Mass.
Connecticut	E∴Sir Arthur W. Dennis	Providence, R. I.
District of Columbia	E∴Sir George T. Coppins	Newton, Mass.
Florida	E∴Sir Henry C. Dexter	Providence, R. I.
Idaho	E∴Sir Judson C. Mackenzie	Fall River, Mass.
Indiana	R∴E∴Sir Edwin A. Blodget	Springfield, Mass.
Indian Territory	R∴E∴Sir Walter W. Burnham	Providence, R. I.
Iowa	E∴Sir Walter F. Medding	Malden, Mass.
Kansas	E∴Sir Charles A. Estey	East Boston, Mass.
Kentucky	R∴E∴Sir John P. Sanborn	Newport, R. I.
Louisiana	E∴Sir George E. Stacy	Milford, Mass.
Maryland	R∴E∴Sir Walter W. Burnham	Providence, R. I.
Maine	R∴E∴Sir Freeman C. Hersey	Boston, Mass.
Minnesota	E∴Sir James S. Blake	Brookline, Mass.
Mississippi	E∴Sir Benjamin W. Rowell	Lynn, Mass.
Missouri	E∴Sir Harry G. Pollard	Lowell, Mass.
Nebraska	E∴Sir William H. Emerson	Brockton, Mass.
New Jersey	E∴Sir William J. Bolton	Athol, Mass.
New Mexico	R∴E∴Sir Dana J. Flanders	Malden, Mass.
North Carolina	R∴E∴Sir Frank L. Nagle	Newton, Mass.
North Dakota	E∴Sir Charles E. Pierce	South Boston, Mass.
Ohio	R∴E∴Sir Charles I. Litchfield	Plymouth, Mass.
Oklahoma	R∴E∴Sir Caleb Saunders	Lawrence, Mass.
Oregon	E∴Sir Harry P. Ballard	Malden, Mass.
Pennsylvania	E∴Sir Arthur G. Pollard	Lowell, Mass.
South Carolina	E∴Sir Benjamin W. Rowell	Lynn, Mass.
South Dakota	E∴Sir Asa C. Jewett	Newton Centre, Mass.
Tennessee	E∴Sir J. Gilman Waite	Medford, Mass.
Texas	R∴E∴Sir J. Albert Blake	Malden, Mass.
Utah	Rev. and E∴Sir R. Perry Bush	Chelsea, Mass.
Vermont	E∴Sir Isaac Chase	Cambridge, Mass.
Washington	E∴Sir Frederick I. Dana	Providence, R. I.
Wisconsin	V∴E∴Sir William W. Johnson	Worcester, Mass.
Wyoming	E∴Sir Eugene A. Holton	Boston, Mass.

The representatives having been conducted to the east were welcomed by the Right Eminent Grand Commander, who said that, could the Grand Commanderies whom these distinguished fraters represent see this array of faithful and earnest Templars, they would recognize the fact that their interests were in good hands.

ELECTION OF GRAND OFFICERS

The Right Eminent Grand Commander appointed as a committee to distribute, sort, and count the ballots for Grand Commander, R.∴E.∴Sir Walter W. Burnham, E.∴Sir Albert L. Anthony, and E.∴Sir Joseph Lawton, who, having attended to the duty, reported that the whole number of votes cast for Right Eminent Grand Commander was 194, of which V.∴E.∴ Sir Frederick I. Dana had 193.

The Grand Commander appointed as a committee to retire and present the Right Eminent Grand Commander-elect, all the Past Grand Commanders present under the escort of the Grand Senior and Junior Wardens, with the Senior Past Grand Commander, John P. Sanborn, as chairman.

The committee retired and presently re-entered the asylum with Eminent Sir Dana, who was informed of his election and very graciously accepted the office.

A second committee having been appointed to receive, sort, and count ballots for Very Eminent Deputy Commander, consisting of E.∴Sir Arthur G. Pollard, E.∴Sir Arthur D. Prince, and R.∴E.∴Sir J. Albert Blake, reported that the number of votes cast was 178, of which E.∴Sir Samuel D. Sherwood had 177, and was declared elected and accepted the office.

The ballot for Grand Generalissimo was reported as 170, all of which were for E.∴Sir William H. Emerson, who accepted the office.

The ballot for Grand Captain-General was reported as 164, all of which were cast for E.∴Sir William J. Bolton, who accepted the office.

The ballot for Grand Senior Warden was reported as 155; E.∴Sir Everett C. Benton had 143, E.∴Sir H. G. Pollard 6, E.∴Sir C. M. Dunbar had 3, and 3 scattering, and Eminent Sir Benton was declared elected, and accepted.

The ballot for Grand Junior Warden was reported as 182, all of which were for E.∴Sir Harry G. Pollard, who accepted the office.

The ballot for Grand Treasurer resulted in the unanimous choice of R.∴E.∴Sir E. Bentley Young.

E.∴Sir Benjamin W. Rowell was then unanimously re-elected Grand Recorder.

E.∴Sir Arthur G. Pollard was also re-elected Trustee of the Grand Fund for three years.

APPOINTED OFFICERS

The Right Eminent Grand Commander-elect then announced the following:

Grand Prelate	E.∴Sir Rev. R. PERRY BUSH
Grand Associate Prelate	Sir Rev. FRANCIS W. GIBBS
Grand Standard Bearer	E.∴Sir HENRY C. DEXTER
Grand Sword Bearer	E.∴Sir ASA C. JEWETT
Grand Warder	E.∴Sir JOSEPH H. POTTER
Grand Captain of Guards	E.∴Sir CHARLES R. HUNT
Grand Lecturer	E.∴Sir JAMES S. BLAKE
Grand Lecturer	E.∴Sir J. FRED PARKER
Grand Lecturer	E.∴Sir CLARENCE M. DUNBAR
Grand Lecturer	E.∴Sir WILLIAM A. SEWARD
Grand Lecturer	E.∴Sir GEORGE W. KNOWLTON
Grand Lecturer	E.∴Sir W. H. BEATTIE
Grand Sentinel	E.∴Sir WILLIAM E. WILCOX

Committee on Fraternal Correspondence

E.∴Sir BENJAMIN W. ROWELL

Committee on Jurisprudence

R.∴E.∴Sir JOHN P. SANBORN
R.∴E.∴Sir DANA J. FLANDERS
R.∴E.∴Sir J. ALBERT BLAKE

Committee on Finance

E.∴Sir JOHN M. RAYMOND
E.∴Sir JAMES M. GLEASON
E.∴Sir ALBERT L. ANTHONY

Committee on By-laws

E.∴Sir HENRY C. DEXTER
E.∴Sir DANA MALONE
E.∴Sir S. EVERETT TINKHAM

Committee on Printing
R.·.E.·.Sir Walter F. Medding   R.·.E.·.Sir Frank L. Nagle
E.·.Sir Benjamin W. Rowell

Committee on Credentials
E.·.Sir James A. Rogers   E.·.Sir Daniel C. Hunt
E.·.Sir James F. Higgins

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

R.·.E.·.Sir Walter W. Burnham, upon the request of the Grand Commander, assumed the east and with the assistance of R.·.E.·.Sir Frank L. Nagle, acting as Grand Marshal, then installed the officers elected and appointed into their respective positions, and the usual proclamation was made and the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island declared duly organized.

PRESENTATION OF JEWEL

Right Eminent Sir Dana then in the name of Grand Commandery presented to Right Eminent Sir Medding the regulation Past Grand Commander's jewel.

The business of the conclave being concluded, the Right Eminent Grand Commander expressed his thanks for the attention of the Eminent Sir Knights in attendance. The Grand Commandery was then declared adjourned after uniting in their devotions with Sir and Rev. Frances W. Gibbs, Assistant Grand Prelate.

A true record of the official acts and doings of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island at its conclaves held during the year.

Attest:

B. W. Rowell

Grand Recorder.

ORGANIZATION

Grand Commandery of Knights Templars
AND THE APPENDANT ORDERS OF
MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

OCTOBER 26, 1915

R.·.E.·.Sir Frederick I. Dana	Grand Commander
V.·.E.·.Sir Samuel D. Sherwood	Deputy Grand Commander
E.·.Sir William H. Emerson	Grand Generalissimo
E.·.Sir William J. Bolton	Grand Captain-General
E.·.Sir Everett C. Benton	Grand Senior Warden
E.·.Sir Harry G. Pollard	Grand Junior Warden
E.·.Sir Rev. R. Perry Bush, D.D.	Grand Prelate
E.·.Sir Rev. Francis W. Gibbs	Grand Associate Prelate
R.·.E.·.Sir E. Bentley Young	Grand Treasurer
E.·.Sir Benjamin W. Rowell Address 206 Masonic Temple, Boston, Mass.	Grand Recorder
E.·.Sir Henry C. Dexter	Grand Standard Bearer
E.·.Sir Asa C. Jewett	Grand Sword Bearer
E.·.Sir Joseph H. Potter	Grand Warder
E.·.Sir Charles R. Hunt	Grand Captain of Guards
E.·.Sir James S. Blake	Grand Lecturers
E.·.Sir J. Fred Parker	
E.·.Sir Clarence M. Dunbar	
E.·.Sir William A. Seward	
E.·.Sir George W. Knowlton	
E.·.Sir William H. Beattie	
E.·.Sir William E. Wilcox	Grand Sentinel

Committee on Fraternal Correspondence
E.·.Sir Benjamin W. Rowell

Committee on Jurisprudence
R.·.E.·.Sir John P. Sanborn   R.·.E.·.Sir Dana J. Flanders
R.·.E.·.Sir J. Albert Blake

Committee on Finance

E.·.Sir John M. Raymond E.·.Sir James M. Gleason
E.·.Sir Albert L. Anthony

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Committee on Credentials

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E.·.Sir James F. Higgins

Trustees of the Grand Fund

R.·.E.·.Sir Frederick I. Dana E.·.Sir Arthur G. Pollard
E.·.Sir Roland O. Lamb E.·.Sir William J. Hobbs
R.·.E.·.Sir E. Bentley Young

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INSPECTION ASSIGNMENTS 1915-1916

Right Eminent Frederick I. Dana	*Grand Commander*
Calvary Commandery	No. 13

Very Eminent Sir Samuel D. Sherwood	*Deputy Grand Commander*
Worcester County Commandery	No. 5
Holy Sepulchre Commandery	No. 8
Pilgrim Commandery	No. 9
Cambridge Commandery	No. 42

Eminent Sir William H. Emerson	*Grand Generalissimo*
Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery	No. 25
Joseph Warren Commandery	No. 26
Trinity Commandery	No. 32
Gethsemane Commandery	No. 35

Eminent Sir William J. Bolton	*Grand Captain General*
Boston Commandery	No. 2
Hugh de Payens Commandery	No. 20
Olivet Commandery	No. 36

Eminent Sir Everett C. Benton	*Grand Senior Warden*
Newburyport Commandery	No. 3
Sutton Commandery	No. 16
Connecticut Valley Commandery	No. 23
Bristol Commandery	No. 29

Eminent Sir Harry G. Pollard	*Grand Junior Warden*
St. John's Commandery	No. 1
Washington Commandery	No. 4
Palestine Commandery	No. 10
Jerusalem Commandery	No. 19

Eminent Sir Henry C. Dexter	*Grand Standard Bearer*
De Molay Commandery	No. 7
Berkshire Commandery	No. 22
Northampton Commandery	No. 30

Eminent Sir Asa C. Jewett	*Grand Sword Bearer*
Narragansett Commandery	No. 27
Cœur de Lion Commandery	No. 34
Orange Commandery	No. 45

Eminent Sir Charles R. Hunt	*Grand Captain of the Guard*
Haverhill Commandery	No. 14
Old Colony Commandery	No. 15
Athol Commandery	No. 37

Eminent Sir James S. Blake	*Grand Lecturer*
St. Omer Commandery	No. 21
William Parkman Commandery	No. 28
St. George Commandery	No. 44

Eminent Sir J. Fred Parker	*Grand Lecturer*
Woonsocket Commandery	No. 24
South Shore Commandery	No. 31
Cyprus Commandery	No. 39

Eminent Sir Clarence M. Dunbar	*Grand Lecturer*
Springfield Commandery	No. 6
St. Bernard Commandery	No. 12
Beauseant Commandery	No. 41

Eminent Sir William A. Seward	*Grand Lecturer*
Milford Commandery	No. 11
Bethany Commandery	No. 17
Natick Commandery	No. 33
Eminent Sir George W. Knowlton	*Grand Lecturer*
Winslow Lewis Commandery	No. 18
Bay State Commandery	No. 38
St. Paul Commandery	No. 40
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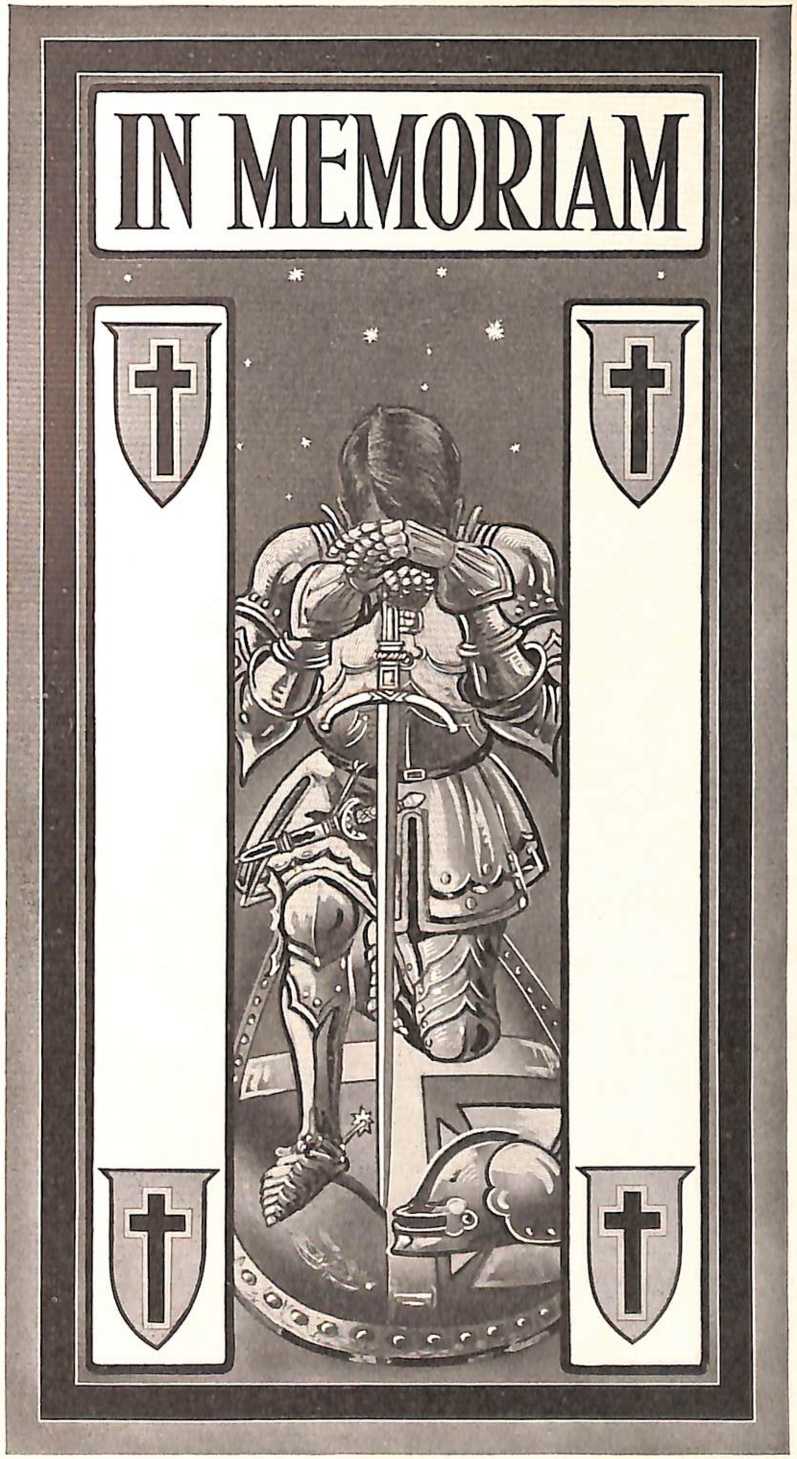
Ivanhoe Commandery	No. 46
Quincy Commandery	No. 47



In Memoriam

This page is dedicated to the Em.·.Sir Knights of Sister Jurisdictions who have passed to the great beyond during the year

"There is a mystic borderland that lies
Just past the limits of our work-day world,
And it is peopled with the friends we met
And loved, a year, a month, a week, or a day,
And parted from with aching hearts, yet knew
That through the distance we must lose the hold
Of hand with hand, and only clasp the threads
Of memory. But still so close we feel this land,
So sure we are that these same hearts are true,
That, when in waking dreams there comes a call
That sets the threads of memory aglow,
We know that just by stretching out the hand
In written words of love or book or flower,
The waiting hand will clasp our own once more
Across the silence, in the same old way."

Mortuary, 1914-1915

Saint John Commandery, No. 1

Elmer Butterfield	Oct. 6, 1914
Eugene Wm. Darling	Dec. 9, 1914
Walter Ward	Mar. 1, 1915
James P. Rounds	Mar. 6, 1915
Charles H. Swan	Mar. 25, 1915
Peter Lind	Mar. 31, 1915
George W. Moore	April 4, 1915
Henry R. Rogers	April 11, 1915
George H. Bunce	April 17, 1915
William Howard	April 21, 1915
Leander F. Pease	June 7, 1915
Osmond C. Goodell	June 11, 1915
Charles L. Butler	Aug. 4, 1915
Orman F. Cobb	Aug. 22, 1915
Peter F. Dobson	Aug. 24, 1915

Boston Commandery, No. 2

Ivers W. Adams	Oct. 10, 1914
Charles L. Russell	Oct. 23, 1914
Frederic Riley	Nov. 5, 1914
Forrest E. Barker	Nov. 21, 1914
Albert B. Dorman	Nov. 22, 1914
George A. Jones	Dec. 1, 1914
Edgar Buffum	Dec. 27, 1914
Walter S. Kelly	Feb. 17, 1915
Frank P. Stone	Mar. 4, 1915
Curtis Guild	April 6, 1915
John I. Fellows	April 15, 1915
George A. Perkins	April 29, 1915
Willis B. Foster	Mar. 24, 1915
William H. Storey	Mar. 2, 1915
Augustine H. Read	June 1, 1915
Eddy W. Haines	June 4, 1915
Lyman S. Meston	June 19, 1915
Isaac H. Small	July 18, 1915
Walter G. Jenness	Aug. 11, 1915

Newburyport Commandery, No. 3

Irvin Besse	Mar. 10, 1915
Daniel H. Fowle	Dec. 16, 1914
James E. Fowle	June 19, 1915
Moody B. Noyes	Jan. 1, 1915
George H. Stevens	May 8, 1915

Washington Commandery, No. 4

William F. Spingler	Oct. 16, 1914
Charles F. Williams	Jan. 15, 1915
George C. Lawton	Feb. 4, 1915
William H. Crandall	Mar. 30, 1915
William Champion	April 18, 1915

Worcester County Commandery, No. 5

Frank H. Orr	Nov. 9, 1914
George I. Lougee	Nov. 21, 1914
Forster G. Heaton	Dec. 4, 1914
Chauncy H. Goodwin	Nov. 15, 1914
William H. Coughlin	Dec. 6, 1914
Lyman F. Gordon	Dec. 20, 1914
Gardner H. Manning	Dec. 25, 1914
Henry F. Harris	Jan. 14, 1915
Elliott H. Peabody	Jan. 31, 1915
Edwin E. Dodge	April 6, 1915
Newton E. Putney	April 10, 1915
J. Luey Wilmot	April 19, 1915
John A. Hall	May 10, 1915
Benjamin W. Paton	June 22, 1915
Albert J. Powers	Aug. 31, 1915
Almon Edgerton	Sept. 5, 1915
William Jones	Aug. 23, 1915

Springfield Commandery, No. 6

William R. Harvey	Oct. 30, 1914
Peter Williamson	Dec. 3, 1914
Edward C. Page	Dec. 13, 1914
Raymond W. Richards	Jan. 7, 1915
Henry M. Brewster	Jan. 10, 1915
Warren S. Moody	Jan. 18, 1915
Harry L. Schaefer	Mar. 1, 1915
William W. Bostwick	Mar. 2, 1915
George Monroe	Mar. 6, 1915
George F. Gehle	Mar. 6, 1915
Serburtrem E. Bliss	Mar. 15, 1915
Ralph P. Fowler	Mar. 19, 1915
Charles M. Smith	April 27, 1915
Charles C. Lewis	May 4, 1915
Albert E. Mills	May 14, 1915
Oliver A. Moore	May 24, 1915
John H. Hill	May 28, 1915
Henry M. Chapin	June 3, 1915
Charles M. Mather	Aug. 13, 1915
Lewis J. Powers	Sept. 15, 1915

Holy Sepulchre Commandery, No. 8

George W. Burnham	Jan. 4, 1915
Thomas F. Little	Jan. 9, 1915
Seth Wilkinson	July 11, 1915
James M. Bishop	July 29, 1915

Pilgrim Commandery, No. 9

Theodore Adams	Jan. 12, 1915
Edward Ellingwood	Feb. 1, 1915
Robert I. Bigelow	Mar. 15, 1915
Horace S. Bacon	April 8, 1915
Charles C. Hutchinson	April 29, 1915
Julian V. Keyes	July 22, 1915
Walter H. McDaniels	July 28, 1915

Palestine Commandery, No. 10

Charles S. Beatley	Oct. 7, 1914
Eugene F. Endicott	Dec. 10, 1914
Erastus G. Strout	Jan. 4, 1915
William H. Wyeth	Mar. 5, 1915
John S. Doane	Mar. 17, 1915
Charles E. Stearns	April 8, 1915
Rell M. Woodward	June 16, 1915

Milford Commandery, No. 11

Nathaniel W. Weed	Sept. 3, 1914
Charles M. Wood	Jan. 3, 1915
Stephen S. Nichols	Feb. 18, 1915
Watson P. Gage	May 21, 1915

Saint Bernard Commandery, No. 12

James N. North	Nov. 1, 1914
Thomas W. Davis	Dec. 28, 1914
William H. Jackson	Dec. 15, 1914
George F. Hall	Mar. 1, 1915
Eugene E. Peirce	Sept. 9, 1915

Calvary Commandery, No. 13

John R. Corp	Nov. 17, 1914
Ralph C. Thompson	Nov. 21, 1914
Philip S. Wilson	Dec. 6, 1914
Walter S. Sprague	Dec. 18, 1914
Charles J. Connor	Dec. 26, 1914
Hugh Hopkins	Jan. 13, 1915
Louis N. Colwell	Jan. 20, 1915
Clinton D. Sellew	Jan. 22, 1915
Samuel P. Kelley	Feb. 13, 1915
Henry C. Whittier	Mar. 9, 1915
Nelson W. Aldrich	April 16, 1915
John P. Williams	April 18, 1915
Cyrus M. Van Slyck	April 27, 1915
Christopher A. Cady	May 5, 1915
Perkins C. Bennett	July 1, 1915
Edmund C. Danforth	July 4, 1915
John Sives	Aug. 24, 1915

Haverhill Commandery, No. 14

F. Jerome Foster	Nov. 18, 1914
G. M. G. Nichols	April 14, 1915
Woodbury E. Corson	May 6, 1915
Edward Harrington	June 1, 1915
William M. Chick	June 10, 1915
Ira O. Sawyer	Aug. 12, 1915
John Dubee	Sept. 25, 1915

Old Colony Commandery, No. 15

Alfred D. Payne	Jan. 11, 1915
Joseph S. Sanborn	Feb. 16, 1915
John Edward Bickford	May 17, 1915
Henry Hunt	July 26, 1915

Sutton Commandery, No. 16

Alexander H. Hillman	Oct. 17, 1914
Albert C. Sherman	Nov. 27, 1914
James W. Lawrence	Jan. 17, 1915
Levi M. Snow	Mar. 29, 1915
Silas P. Richmond	April 24, 1915
R. Henry Harris	April 27, 1915
Charles M. Bly	May 4, 1915
Isaac N. Marshall	June 25, 1915
George R. Stetson	July 26, 1915
Henry S. Swain	Sept. 21, 1915

Bethany Commandery, No. 17

Frederick Wm. Schaake	Oct. 10, 1914
Richard Carden	Nov. 27, 1914
Edward Caufy	Dec. 24, 1914
Charles Powers	Jan. 3, 1915
Leslie A. Taylor	May 4, 1915
Robert Redford	June 11, 1915
Daniel King	June 11, 1915
Thomas J. McClary	July 16, 1915
Charles H. Shattuck	July 26, 1915

Winslow Lewis Commandery, No. 18

Fred W. Tibbetts	Dec. 3, 1914
Thomas Ingalls	Dec. 18, 1914
Joseph M. Parsons	May 13, 1915
John S. Glover	Aug. 23, 1915

Jerusalem Commandery, No. 19

James L. Chapman	Dec. 18, 1914
Sullivan W. Huntley	Mar. 4, 1915
Frank E. Corey	April 17, 1915
Milton H. Bosworth	May 17, 1915
Andrew C. Woodbury	Aug. 24, 1915
Seth E. Brigham	Dec. 18, 1914

Hugh de Payens Commandery, No. 20

Joseph D. Sharon	Sept. 23, 1914
John Wooldredge	Jan. 6, 1915
William Beggs	Jan. 14, 1915
Richard S. Stout	Jan. 18, 1915
Alva S. Wood	Feb. 10, 1915
Frank E. Whitney	Feb. 16, 1915
James M. Currier	Mar. 1, 1915
Charles H. Ormsley	April 13, 1915
Charles H. Walker	May 13, 1915
George E. Fenn	May 28, 1915
George W. Dew	Aug. 19, 1915

Saint Omer Commandery, No. 21

Charles H. Denton	Oct. 16, 1914
Lorenzo Trafton	Oct. 17, 1914
Charles E. Tesko	Dec. 5, 1914
Leander E. H. Jones	Feb. 1, 1915
Charles B. Gillespie	Feb. 24, 1915
Sebastian A. Cutter	Mar. 23, 1915
Walter Jenney	May 3, 1915
Edward J. Cowling	April 11, 1915
David O. Felt	June 1, 1915
Charles H. Kimball	July 3, 1915
Eben S. Corson	Aug. 6, 1915

Berkshire Commandery, No. 22

Eli Bence	May 4, 1915
Henry C. Bowen	May 27, 1915
Richard H. Maunder	Sept. 9, 1915

Connecticut Valley Commandery, No. 23

Archibald D. Flower	Oct. 20, 1914
Herbert F. Cary	Oct. 25, 1914
Lyman G. Barton	Dec. 8, 1914
Cyrus M. Hubbard	Jan. 5, 1915
James Porter	Jan. 21, 1915
William B. Gaines	June 13, 1915
Charles U. Sumner	Aug. 3, 1915
Frank E. Briggs	Sept. 21, 1915

Woonsocket Commandery, No. 24

Frederick C. Taft	Nov. 5, 1914
William M. Wardle	Dec. 25, 1914
Edwin Farrell	Feb. 21, 1915
George W. Smith, Jr.	Feb. 25, 1915
Albert M. Armstrong	Feb. 28, 1915
Carlisle Vose	Mar. 10, 1915
Robert Foster	Sept. 27, 1915

Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, No. 25

Charles L. Dean	Sept. 22, 1914
George M. Urquhart	Feb. 11, 1915
John Marshall	Feb. 21, 1915
William L. Booth	Mar. 3, 1915
William F. Thomas	April 11, 1915
Charles P. Brightman	April 28, 1915
Charles C. Pierson	May 2, 1915
Benjamin T. Mayhew	July 27, 1915
Daniel H. Grinnell	Sept. 8, 1915

Joseph Warren Commandery, No. 26

Frank A. Cole	Dec. 26, 1914
John F. Newton	Feb. 6, 1915
Frederick M. Woodworth	April 29, 1915

Narragansett Commandery, No. 27

John McDonald	Dec. 19, 1914
William D. Moss	Feb. 26, 1915
John Murray	Mar. 28, 1915
Charles H. Potter	April 18, 1915
Lorenzo D. Richmond	July 27, 1915

William Parkman Commandery, No. 28

William E. Welch	Oct. 10, 1914
Jacob Rood	Nov. 19, 1914
Lorenzo G. Thurston	Dec. 22, 1914
Martin M. Hancock	Mar. 8, 1915
Albert C. Tilden	May 4, 1915
Sidney H. Griffin	July 31, 1915
John A. Webster	Aug. 22, 1915
Thomas Kellough	Sept. 16, 1915

Bristol Commandery, No. 29

Louis A. Lincoln	Nov. 5, 1914
Emery H. Low	Nov. 22, 1914
William W. Sherman	Mar. 10, 1915
Alexander Ross	April 12, 1915
William H. Keach	April 15, 1915

Northampton Commandery, No. 30

Charles Rust	Dec. 14, 1914
Henry Jones	Feb. 8, 1915
George D. Thayer	Mar. 14, 1915
Frank H. N. Gates	April 17, 1915
George C. Wesson	June 2, 1915

South Shore Commandery, No. 31

Edwin B. Nevin	Jan. 29, 1915
Elihu H. Fish	Feb. 8, 1915
David J. Pierce	Feb. 14, 1915
Gustavus M. Pratt	Feb. 16, 1915
Ephraim Snow, Jr.	April 1, 1915
John A. Holbrook	Aug. 21, 1915

Trinity Commandery, No. 32

A. D. Gleason	Dec. 26, 1914
Delos O. Lamb	Jan. 13, 1915
James H. Gleason	Jan. 20, 1915
W. M. Warren	Feb. 15, 1915
Charles F. Johnson	April —, 1915
Herbert Turner	Aug. 6, 1915

Natick Commandery, No. 33

George A. Hunter	Oct. 15, 1914
Abner Jones	Feb. 25, 1915
Charles C. Henry	April 11, 1915

Cœur de Lion Commandery, No. 34

James G. Jones	Oct. 31, 1914
Horace H. Chapman	Nov. 2, 1914
William Armstrong	Nov. 12, 1914
William E. Curtis	Dec. 10, 1914
William H. Rideout	Mar. 16, 1915
Charles E. Bullard	May 24, 1915
Gustavus F. Walker	June 1, 1915
Jacob W. Bean	June 20, 1915
Charles F. P. Burchmore	July 27, 1915
John H. Spear	July 27, 1915

Gethsemane Commandery, No. 35

James Pickens	April 1, 1914
Horatio B. Hackett	Oct. 26, 1914
Alonzo S. Locke	Dec. 27, 1914
Winfield S. Slocum	Jan. 29, 1915
Frederick E. Smith	April 26, 1915
Charles H. Moulton	June 7, 1915
Edgar W. Williams	Aug. 15, 1915
William A. Moody	Aug. 31, 1915
William H. S. Hill	Sept. 10, 1916

Olivet Commandery, No. 36

Joseph M. Hoyt	Dec. 1, 1914
Joseph T. Wilson	Dec. 22, 1914
Eli B. Gloyd	Dec. 31, 1914
Asa J. Johnson	Mar. 4, 1915
Seba S. Merrill	Mar. 25, 1915
James G. Nourse	April 15, 1915
Edmund C. Phillips	June 6, 1915
Frederick E. Baker	July 1, 1915
George J. Collins	July 30, 1915
Clarence S. Hart	Sept. 28, 1915

Athol Commandery, No. 37

Charles M. Drew	Dec. 31, 1914
David L. Richards	Sept. 25, 1915

Bay State Commandery, No. 38

Frank C. Moore	Oct. 9, 1914
Henry A. Belcher	Jan. 20, 1915
Edwin F. Packard	June 13, 1915
Charles S. Pierce	Aug. 13, 1915
Howard P. Keith	Aug. 21, 1915

Cyprus Commandery, No. 39

James H. Newbegin	Feb. 9, 1915
Daniel E. Cluff	Mar. 22, 1915
Charles H. Tucker	May 18, 1915
Grosvenor Aldrich	July 9, 1915
George A. Curtis	July 22, 1915

Saint Paul Commandery, No. 40

Mortimer M. Gavitt	Oct. 25, 1914

Beauseant Commandery, No. 41

George L. Griffin	Oct. 11, 1914
Joshua H. Millett	Oct. 14, 1914
Edwin Hawkridge	Oct. 21, 1914
James H. Waite	Dec. 1, 1914
Arthur W. Bennett	Jan. 29, 1915
James Tod	Jan. 26, 1915
Sidney F. Shirley	Feb. 12, 1915
Andrew J. Freeman	Mar. 20, 1915
John M. Finch	April 29, 1915
Joseph W. Sanders	May 13, 1915
Melville C. Kimball	Aug. 23, 1915
William C. Demain	Aug. 24, 1915
John K. Gould	Sept. 14, 1915

Cambridge Commandery, No. 42

Sydney C. Newcomb	Oct. 13, 1913
James H. Kemp	Nov. 5, 1914
Horace G. Kemp	Dec. 27, 1914
Samuel W. Bailey	Mar. 15, 1915
John McDuffie	April 5, 1915
Charles H. Lake	Sept. 10, 1915

Bethlehem Commandery, No. 43

Nathaniel L. Gorton	Dec. 3, 1914
S. Oscar Howland	Dec. 6, 1914
Frederick B. Barrington	Aug. 14, 1915

Saint George Commandery, No. 44

Horace Standly	Mar. 27, 1915
William C. Hill	May 23, 1915
Charles A. Williams	July 9, 1915
Charles H. Trout	Feb. 28, 1915

Orange Commandery, No. 45

Charles H. Webster	Feb. 6, 1915
Samuel Hastings	Feb. 14, 1915
William L. Lathrop	Feb. 19, 1915
Osgood L. Leach	Aug. 12, 1915

Ivanhoe Commandery, No. 46

Henry J. Tottingham	Oct. 9, 1914
William L. Stinson	Nov. 30, 1914

Quincy Commandery, No. 47

James M. Gibb	Dec. 17, 1914
Weston W. Isborne	Feb. 10, 1915
Lawrence Butler	April —, 1915

MAINE ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, MAINE

Charter, March 18, 1821

PAST COMMANDERS

While under the jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island

Sir Rev. Solomon Sias
Sir Thomas S. Bowles
Sir Joseph M. Gerrish
Sir Samuel Fessenden

Maine Encampment ceased to be under the jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, October 10, 1849. In 1854 it was removed from Portland to Gardner, where it is now located.

VILLAGE ENCAMPMENT, GREENWICH, MASS.

Charter, June 16, 1825

PAST COMMANDERS

*Sir Rev. Ezekiel L. Bascom, 1825
*Sir Rev. Lucius R. Paige, D.D., 1826
*Sir John Warner, 1827
*Sir Rev. Joshua Flagg, 1828

The last recorded Assembly of this Encampment was held April 14, 1829. Its charter was declared forfeited by a vote of the Grand Encampment, at a Special Assembly, held February 28, 1838. The records were finally restored to the Grand Recorder, November 13, 1876, and are now in the archives of of the Grand Commandery.

THE ANCIENT ORDER OF THE TEMPLE

GRAND MASTERS FROM ITS ORIGIN TO THE DEATH OF DE MOLAY

1	Hugh de Payens	1118
2	Robert of Burgundy	1139
3	Edward de Barri	1147
4	Bernard de Trenellape	1151
5	Bertrand de Blanchefort	1154
6	Andrew de Montbar	1165
7	Philip of Naplus	1169
8	Odo de St. Amand	1171
9	Annold de Troye	1180
10	John Terricus	1185
11	Gerard Ridefort	1187
12	Robert Sablæus	1191
13	Gilbert Gralius	1196
14	Philip de Plessis	1201
15	William de Carnota	1217
16	Peter de Montagu	1218
17	Armand de Petragrossa	1229
18	Herman de Petragrorius	1237
19	William de Rupefort	1244
20	William de Sonnac	1247
21	Reginald Vichierius	1250
22	Thomas Beraud	1257
23	William de Beaujeau	1274
24	Theobald Gaudinius	1291
25	Jacques de Molay	1298

De Molay died in 1314.

THE AMERICAN ORDER OF THE TEMPLE

GRAND MASTERS OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT

NAME	YEARS	RESIDENCE	DIED
*1 DeWitt Clinton	1816–1828	New York, N.Y.	February 11, 1828
*2 Jonathan Nye	1829–1834	Claremont, N.H.	April 1, 1843
*3 James Madison Allen	1835–1844	Cayuga, N.Y.	
*4 Archibald Bull	1844–1846	Troy, N.Y.	December 22, 1865
*5 William B. Hubbard	1847–1858	Columbus, Ohio	January 5, 1866
*6 Benjamin B. French	1859–1864	Washington, D.C.	August 12, 1870
*7 Henry L. Palmer	1865–1867	Milwaukee, Wis.	May 6, 1909
*8 William Sewall Gardner	1868–1870	Newton, Mass.	October 14, 1877
*9 John Q. A. Fellows	1871–1873	New Orleans, La.	November 28, 1897
*10 James H. Hopkins	1874–1876	Pittsburgh, Pa.	June 17, 1904
*11 Vincent L. Hurlbut	1877–1879	Chicago, Ill.	July 24, 1896
*12 Benjamin Dean	1880–1882	Boston, Mass.	April 9, 1897
*13 Robert E. Withers	1883–1885	Wytheville, Va.	September 21, 1907
*14 Charles Roome	1886–1889	New York, N.Y.	June 28, 1890
*15 John P. S. Gobin	1889–1892	Lebanon, Pa.	May 1, 1910
*16 Hugh McCurdy	1892–1895	Corunna, Mich.	July 16, 1908
17 Warren LaRue Thomas	1895–1898	Maysville, Ky.	
*18 Reuben Hedly Lloyd	1898–1901	San Francisco, Cal.	March 10, 1909
19 Henry B. Stoddard	1901–1904	Bryan, Texas	
20 George M. Moulton	1904–1907	Chicago, Ill.	
*21 Henry W. Rugg	1907–1910	Providence, R.I.	July 21, 1910
22 William B. Melish	1910–1913	Cincinnati, O.	
*23 Arthur Mac Arthur	1913–1914	Troy, N.Y.	December 27, 1914

* Deceased.

MASONIC CALENDAR

Ancient Craft Masons commence their era with the creation of the world, calling it Anno Lucis (A.L.), "in the year of light."

Scottish Rite, same as Ancient Craft, except the Jewish chronology is used, Anno Mundi (A.M.), "in the year of the world."

Royal Arch Masons date from the year the second temple was commenced by Zerubbabel, Anno Inventionis (A.I.), "in the year of discovery."

Royal and Select Masters date from the year in which the Temple of Solomon was completed, Anno Depositionis (A. Dep.), "in the year of the deposit."

Knights Templar commence their era with the organization of their Order, Anno Ordinis (A.O.), "in the year of the Order."

Order of High Priesthood date from the year of the blessing of Abram by the High Priest Melchisedek, Anno Benefacio (A.B.), "in the year of blessing."

Festival of St. John the Baptist, June 24.

Festival of St. John the Evangelist, December 27.

RULES FOR MASONIC DATES

Ancient Craft Masons — Add 4000 years to the common era. Thus: 1915 and 4000 —5915.

Scottish Rite — Add 3760 to the common era. Thus: 1915 and 3760 — 5675. After September add another year.

Royal Arch — Add 530 years to the vulgar era. Thus: 1915 and 530 — 2445.

Royal and Select Masters — Add 1000 to the common time. Thus: 1915 and 1000 — 2915.

Knights Templars — From the Christian era take 1118. Thus: 1118 from 1915 — 797.

OFFICERS OF THE
GRAND ENCAMPMENT KNIGHTS TEMPLAR
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, 1913-1916

At the Thirty-second Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, held at Denver, Col., August 12, 1913, the following officers were elected or appointed for the ensuing term of 1913–1916, to wit:

Sir Knight Lee S. Smith . . . . *(Acting) M.·.E.·.Grand Master*
Pittsburgh, Pa.
Sir Knight Joseph K. Orr . . . . *V.·.E.·.Grand Generalissimo*
Atlanta, Ga.
Sir Knight Jeheil W. Chamberlain . *V.·.E.·.Grand Captain General*
St. Paul, Minn.
Sir Knight Leonidas P. Newby . . . . *V.·.E.·.Grand Senior Warden*
Knightstown, Ind.
Sir Knight W. H. Norris . . . . . . *V.·.E.·.Grand Junior Warden*
Manchester, Iowa
Sir Knight Rev. Henry R. Freeman . . . . . *V.·.E.·.Grand Prelate*
Troy, N. Y.
Sir Knight H. Wales Lines . . . . *V.·.E.·.Grand Treasurer*
Meriden, Conn.
Sir Knight Frank H. Johnson . . . . . . *V.·.E.·.Grand Recorder*
Louisville, Ky.
Sir Knight Frederick C. Thayer . . *V.·.E.·.Grand Standard Bearer*
Waterville, Maine
Sir Knight William L. Sharp . . . . . *V.·.E.·.Grand Sword Bearer*
Chicago, Ill.
Sir Knight George W. Vallery . . . . . . *V.·.Em.·.Grand Warder*
Denver, Col.
Sir Knight A. B. Andrews . . . . *V.·.E.·.Captain of Guards*
Raleigh, N. C.

The Thirty-third Triennial Conclave will be held in the city of Los Angeles, Cal., June 20, 1916.

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETINGS OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF THE UNITED STATES

No.	Time of Conclave	Place of Meeting
1	June 16, 1816	New York, N.Y.
2	September 16, 1819	New York, N.Y.
3	September 18, 1826	New York, N.Y.
4	September 14, 1829	New York, N.Y.
5	November 29, 1832	Baltimore, Md.
6	December 7, 1835	Washington, D.C.
7	September 12, 1838	Boston, Mass.
8	September 14, 1841	New York, N.Y.
9	September 10, 1844	New Haven, Conn.
10	September 12, 1847	Columbus, Ohio
11	September 10, 1850	Boston, Mass.
12	September 12, 1853	Lexington, Ky.
13	September 9, 1856	Hartford, Conn.
14	September 13, 1859	Chicago, Ill.
15	September 1, 1862	New York, N.Y.
16	September 5, 1865	Columbus, Ohio
17	September 15, 1868	St. Louis, Mo.
18	September 19, 1871	Baltimore, Md.
19	December 1, 1874	New Orleans, La.
20	August 28, 1877	Cleveland, Ohio
21	August 17, 1880	Chicago, Ill.
22	August 21, 1883	San Francisco, Cal.
23	September 21, 1886	St. Louis, Mo.
24	October 8, 1889	Washington, D.C.
25	August 9, 1892	Denver, Col.
26	August 17, 1895	Boston, Mass.
27	October 11, 1898	Pittsburgh, Pa.
28	August 27, 1901	Louisville, Ky.
29	September 6, 1904	San Francisco, Cal.
30	July 9, 1907	Saratoga Springs, N.Y.
31	August 9, 1910	Chicago, Ill.
32	August 12, 1913	Denver, Col.

The Thirty-third Triennial Conclave will be held in Los Angeles, Cal., the second Tuesday in June, 1916.

CONSTITUENT COMMANDERIES TO THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Name of Commandery	Location	Date of Charter
St. Johns, No. 1	Wilmington, Del.	Sept. 18, 1868
Honolulu, No. 1	Honolulu, H. I.	Sept. 22, 1871
Mexico City, No. 1	Mexico City, Mex.	July 11, 1907
DeWitt Clinton, No. 1	Reno, Nev.	Sept. 3, 1868
Eureka, No. 2	Nevada	Aug. 19, 1880
Malta	Goldfield, Nev.	Jan. 2, 1909
Far East	Manila, P. I.	Dec. 2, 1909
Alaska, No. 1	Fairbanks, Alaska	July 17, 1911
Canal Zone, U.D.	Las Cascadas	April 11, 1912

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY

Date	Grand Commander	Dep. Grand Commander	Grand Generalissimo	Grand Captain General	Grand Prelate
1805	*Thomas Smith Webb		*Henry Fowle	*Jonathan Gage	
1806	" " "		" "	" "	
1807	" " "		" "	" "	
1808	" " "		" "	" "	
1809	" " "		" "	" "	
1810	" " "		" "	" "	
1811	" " "		" "	" "	
1812	" " "		" "	" "	
1813	" " "		" "	" "	*Thaddeus M. Harris
1814	" " "		" "	" "	" "
1815	" " "		" "	*John Carlile	*Richard Carrique
1816	" " "		" "	" "	*Paul Dean
1817	" " "		" "	" "	" "
1818	*William Wilkinson	*Henry Fowle	*John Carlile	*Peter Grinnell	" "
1819	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1820	*Henry Fowle	*John Carlile	*Peter Grinnell	*Henry Purkitt	" "
1821	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1822	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1823	" "	" "	" "	*John James Loring	*John L. Blake
1824	" "	" "	" "	" " "	" "
1825	" "	*Peter Grinnell	*John James Loring	*Josiah Whitaker	" "
1826	*John Carlile	" "	" " "	" "	"
1827	" "	" "	" " "	" "	" "
1828	" "	" "	" " "	" "	" "
1829	*John James Loring	*Josiah Whitaker	*Robert Lash	*Jacob Amee	" "
1830	" " "	" "	" "	" "	*Ezekiel L. Bascom
1831	" "	*Robert Lash	*Jacob Amee	*Thomas Power	" "
1832	*Robert Lash	*Thomas Power	*Edward A. Raymond	*Abraham A. Dame	" "
1833	*Edward A. Raymond	*Abraham A. Dame	*John Hews	*Joseph Young, Jr.	" "
1834	" "	" "	" "	*Gilbert Nurse	*Paul Dean
1835	*Abraham A. Dame	*John Hews	*Gilbert Nurse	*Charles W. Moore	" "
1836	" "	" "	*Charles W. Moore	*John Flint	" "
1837	*John Hews	*Charles W. Moore	*John Flint	*John B. Hammatt	" "
1838	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1839	*Charles W. Moore	*John Flint	*John B. Hammatt	*William Field	*Luther Hamilton
1840	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY — *Continued*

Date	Grand Commander	Dep. Grand Commander	Grand Generalissimo	Grand Captain General	Grand Prelate
1841	*Charles W. Moore	*John Flint	*John B. Hammatt	*William Field	*Paul Dean
1842	*John Flint	*John B. Hammatt	*Ruel Baker	*Barney Merry	" "
1843	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1844	" "	" "	" "	*James Saulsbury	" "
1845	*John B. Hammatt	*Ruel Baker	*James Saulsbury	*Samuel Fessenden	*Albert Case
1846	" "	" "	*John R. Bradford	*James Hutchinson	" "
1847	*Ruel Baker	*John R. Bradford	*James Hutchinson	*Simon W. Robinson	" "
1848	*John R. Bradford	*James Hutchinson	*Simon W. Robinson	*Winslow Lewis	*Addison Searle
1849	" "	" "	" "	" "	*H. A. Wilcox
1850	" "	" "	" "	*Moses Richardson	" "
1851	*James Hutchinson	*Simon W. Robinson	*Daniel Harwood	*Asa Woodbury	" "
1852	" "	" "	" "	" "	*Thomas R. Lambert
1853	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1854	*Simon W. Robinson	*Daniel Harwood	*John McClellan	*Cyrus Fisher	" "
1855	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1856	*Daniel Harwood	*John McClellan	*Cyrus Fisher	*James W. Crooks	*William R. Alger
1857	" "	" "	*Samuel Lewis	*John B. Read	" "
1858	*Winslow Lewis	*William Field	*Charles Robbins	*George F. Wilson	" "
1859	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1860	*William Field	*William Ellison	*Edwin C. Bailey	*William S. Gardner	*Thomas R. Lambert
1861	" "	" "	" "	" "	*Charles H. Titus
1862	*William Ellison	*Edwin C. Bailey	*William S. Gardner	*Rev. Charles H. Titus	*Thomas A. Doyle
1863	*William S. Gardner	*Rev. Charles H. Titus	*William W. Baker	*Thomas A. Doyle	*William S. Studley
1864	" "	" " "	" "	" "	" "
1865	*Rev. Charles H. Titus	*William W. Baker	*Thomas A. Doyle	*Benjamin Dean	" "
1866	" " "	" "	*Henry Butler	" "	*John W. Dadmun
1867	*William W. Baker	*Benjamin Dean	*William B. Blanding	*William S. Shurtleff	" "
1868	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1869	*Benjamin Dean	*William S. Shurtleff	*Nicholas Van Slyck	Charles A. Stott	" "
1870	" "	" "	" " "	" "	" "
1871	*Nicholas Van Slyck	Charles A. Stott	*Horace Daniels	*Henry Chickering	*George S. Noyes
1872	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1873	*Charles A. Stott	*Rev. Henry W. Rugg	*Wyzeman Marshall	*John Dean	" "
1874	" "	*Samuel C. Lawrence	*John Dean	Nelson W. Aldrich	*Thomas E. St. John
1875	*Rev. Henry W. Rugg	*John Dean	*Nelson W. Aldrich	George E. Stacy	" "
1876	" " "	" "	" "	" "	" "

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY — *Continued*

Date	Grand Commander	Dep. Grand Commander	Grand Generalissimo	Grand Captain General	Grand Prelate
1877	*John Dean	*Nelson W. Aldrich	*William H. Kent	Caleb Saunders	*Thomas E. St. John
1878	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1879	*Nelson W. Aldrich	*William H. Kent	Caleb Saunders	*George H. Burnham	" "
1880	*William H. Kent	Caleb Saunders	*George H. Burnham	Charles C. Hutchinson	*Henry W. Rugg
1881	" "	" "	" "	" "	*John W. Dadmun
1882	Caleb Saunders	*Charles C. Hutchinson	*George W. Fay	Edward P. Chapin	" "
1883	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1884	*Charles C. Hutchinson	*George H. Burnham	Edward P. Chapin	George H. Allen	" "
1885	*George H. Burnham	Edward P Chapin	George H. Allen	*Edward L. Freeman	" "
1886	Edward P. Chapin	George H. Allen	*Edward L. Freeman	*James Swords	" "
1887	George H. Allen	*Edward L. Freeman	*James Swords	John P. Sanborn	" "
1888	*Edward L. Freeman	*James Swords	John P. Sanborn	*Robert H. Chamberlain	" "
1889	*James Swords	John P. Sanborn	*Robert H.Chamberlain	William H. H. Soule	" "
1890	John P. Sanborn	*Robert H. Chamberlain	William H. H. Soule	*Nathan S. Kimball	*Leonard B. Hatch
1891	*Robert H. Chamberlain	William H. H. Soule	*Nathan S. Kimball	*Charles C. Fry	*P. Voorhees Finch
1892	William H. H. Soule	*Nathan S. Kimball	*Charles C. Fry	*Eugene H. Richards	" "
1893	*Charles C. Fry	*Samuel C. Lawrence	*Eugene H. Richards	*William R. Walker	*Thomas E. St. John
1894	*Samuel C. Lawrence	*Eugene H. Richards	*William R. Walker	*Walter Cutting	" "
1895	*Eugene H. Richards	*William R. Walker	*Walter Cutting	George L. Shepley	" "
1896	*William R. Walker	*Walter Cutting	George L. Shepley	*Herbert F. Morse	" "
1897	*Walter Cutting	George L. Shepley	*Herbert F. Morse	Winthrop Messenger	Charles T. Morgan
1898	George L. Shepley	*Herbert F. Morse	Winthrop Messenger	*George E. Hilton	" "
1899	*Herbert F. Morse	Winthrop Messenger	*George E. Hilton	*George H. Kenyon	" "
1900	Winthrop Messenger	*George E. Hilton	*George H. Kenyon	Freeman C. Hersey	" "
1901	*George E. Hilton	*George H. Kenyon	Freeman C. Hersey	Dana J. Flanders	" "
1902	*George H. Kenyon	Freeman C. Hersey	Dana J. Flanders	Edwin A. Blodgett	" "
1903	Freeman C. Hersey	Dana J. Flanders	Edwin A. Blodgett	E. Bentley Young	" "
1904	Dana J. Flanders	Edwin A. Blodgett	E. Bentley Young	Charles I. Litchfield	George L. Perin
1905	Edwin A. Blodgett	E. Bentley Young	Charles I. Litchfield	*John D. Munroe	" "
1906	E. Bentley Young	Charles I. Litchfield	*John D. Munroe	Walter W. Burnham	" "
1907	Charles I. Litchfield	*John D. Munroe	Walter W. Burnham	J. Albert Blake	" "
1908	*John D. Munroe	Walter W. Burnham	J. Albert Blake	*Lafayette G. Blair	" "
1909	Walter W. Burnham	J. Albert Blake	*Lafayette G. Blair	Frank L. Nagle	" "
1910	J. Albert Blake	*Lafayette G. Blair	Frank L. Nagle	William W. Johnson	R. Perry Bush
1911	*Lafayette G. Blair	Frank L. Nagle	William W. Johnson	Walter F. Medding	" "
1912	Frank L. Nagle	William W. Johnson	Walter F. Medding	Frederick I. Dana	" "
1913	William W. Johnson	Walter F. Medding	Frederick I. Dana	Samuel D. Sherwood	" "
1914	Walter F. Medding	Frederick I. Dana	Samuel D. Sherwood	William H. Emerson	" "
1915	Frederick I. Dana	Samuel D. Sherwood	William H. Emerson	William J. Bolton	" "

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY—*Continued*

Date	Grand Senior Warden	Grand Junior Warden	Grand Treasurer	Grand Recorder	Grand Standard Bearer
1805	*John Carlile	*Nathan Fisher	*Jeremiah F. Jenkins	*William F. Megee	*William Wilkinson
1806	*Ezra Ames	*Samuel Billings	" "	*Otis Amidon	*Stephen Howard
1807	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1808	" "	" "	" "	" "	*Nathaniel Knapp, Jr.
1809	" "	*Andrew Sigourney	*William Wilkinson	" "	" "
1810	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1811	" "	" "	" "	*John M. Eddy	" "
1812	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1813	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1814	*William Wilkinson	*Thomas Jackson	*Peter Grinnell	" "	" "
1815	" "	*John A. Shaw	" "	" "	" "
1816	" "	*Ezra Ames	" "	" "	" "
1817	*Philip Peck	*Benjamin Smith	" "	*Alexander Bowers	" "
1818	" "	" "	*Moses Richardson	*Robert Lash	" "
1819	*Benjamin Smith	*Josiah Whitaker	" "	*John R. Cotting	" "
1820	*Robert Lash	" "	" "	" "	" "
1821	" "	" "	" "	" "	*Charles C. Nichols
1822	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1823	*Josiah Whitaker	*Samuel Howe	" "	" "	*Isaac Stall
1824	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1825	*Robert Lash	" "	" "	" "	" "
1826	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1827	" "	*Richard S. Spofford	" "	*Samuel Howe	*Edward A. Raymond
1828	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1829	*Edward A. Raymond	*Thomas Power	" "	" "	*Daniel Tenney
1830	*Thomas Power	*Edward A. Raymond	" "	" "	" "
1831	*Edward A. Raymond	*Abraham A. Dame	" "	" "	*Joseph Young
1832	*John Hews	*Joseph Young, Jr.	" "	" "	*Gilbert Nurse
1833	*Gilbert Nurse	*Charles W. Moore	" "	" "	*John Flint
1834	*Charles W. Moore	*John Flint	*Samuel Wales	" "	*Ruel Baker
1835	*John Flint	*John B. Hammatt	" "	" "	*John R. Bradford
1836	*John B. Hammatt	*Ruel Baker	" "	" "	" "
1837	*Ruel Baker	*John R. Bradford	" "	" "	*William Bittle
1838	" "	" "	" "	" "	*Hugh H. Tuttle
1839	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1840	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY—*Continued*

Date	Grand Senior Warden	Grand Junior Warden	Grand Treasurer	Grand Recorder	Grand Standard Bearer
1841	*Ruel Baker	*John R. Bradford	*Samuel Wales	*John Hews	*Benjamin H. West
1842	*John R. Bradford	*Simon W. Robinson	" "	*Gilbert Nurse	*George L. Oakes
1843	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1844	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1845	" "	" "	*William Eaton	" "	*James Easterbrook
1846	*Simon W. Robinson	*Hugh H. Tuttle	" "	" "	*Samuel Pearce
1847	*Hugh H. Tuttle	*James Easterbrook	" "	" "	*Albert H. Kelsey
1848	" "	*Samuel Pearce	" "	" "	*Asa Walker
1849	" "	" "	" "	*Calvin Whiting	" "
1850	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1851	*Samuel Pearce	*John McClellan	" "	" "	*James W. Crooks
1852	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1853	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1854	*James W. Crooks	*John B. Read	" "	" "	*Asa Walker
1855	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1856	*John B. Read	*J. A. D. Joslin	*William Parkman	" "	*Charles B. Farnsworth
1857	*J. A. D. Joslin	*William A. Smith	" "	*Stephen Lovell	*Henry Goddard
1858	*William A. Smith	*William S. Gardner	" "	*William H. L. Smith	*Richard S. Spofford
1859	" "	" "	" "	" " "	" "
1860	*Wyzeman Marshall	*Charles A. Davis	" "	*Solon Thornton	*George W. Bentley
1861	" "	" "	" "	" "	*Gardner T. Swarts
1862	" "	*George W. Bentley	" "	" "	*William B. Blanding
1863	*Benjamin Dean	*George A. French	" "	" "	" "
1864	" "	*William B. Blanding	" "	" "	*Gardner T. Swarts
1865	*William B. Blanding	*William S. Shurtleff	" "	" "	*William Sutton
1866	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1867	Charles A. Stott	*Nicholas Van Slyck	" "	" "	" "
1868	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1869	*Henry W. Warren	*Horace Daniels	" "	*Alfred F. Chapman	" "
1870	*Charles E. Powers	" "	" "	" " "	" "
1871	*Tracy P. Cheever	*John Dean	" "	" " "	" "
1872	" "	" "	" "	" " "	*John Aldred
1873	Nelson W. Aldrich	George E. Stacy	" "	" " "	*Daniel E. Chase
1874	" "	" "	" "	" " "	" "
1875	George E. Stacy	*Peter S. Bailey	" "	" " "	*William D. Pool
1876	*Peter S. Bailey	*William H. Kent	" "	" " "	" "

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY—*Continued*

Date	Grand Senior Warden	Grand Junior Warden	Grand Treasurer	Grand Recorder	Grand Standard Bearer
1877	*Samuel Mason, Jr.	*George H. Burnham	*William Parkman	*Alfred F. Chapman	*Marvin S. Fellows
1878	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1879	Charles C. Hutchinson.	*Edward L. Freeman	*James H. Upham	" "	*James M. Pendleton
1880	*Edward L. Freeman	Edward P. Chapin	" "	" "	*Charles H. McClellan
1881	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1882	*Charles H. McClellan	Albert F. Dow	" "	" "	*John Haigh
1883	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1884	*Edward L. Freeman	*James Swords	" "	" "	Clinton D. Sellew
1885	*James Swords	John P. Sanborn	" "	" "	Eben D. Bancroft
1886	John P. Sanborn	*Robert H. Chamberlain.	" "	" "	William H. H. Soule
1887	*Robert H. Chamberlain	William H. H. Soule	" "	" "	*Walter Cutting
1888	William H. H. Soule	*Horace E. Boynton	" "	" "	*Nathan S. Kimball
1889	*Horace E. Boynton	*Nathan S. Kimball	" "	" "	*Charles C. Fry
1890	*Charles C. Fry	*Eugene H. Richards	" "	Benjamin W. Rowell	*William R. Walker
1891	*Eugene H. Richards	*William R. Walker	" "	" "	Charles E. Pierce
1892	*William R. Walker	*Walter Cutting	" "	" "	George L. Shepley
1893	*Walter Cutting	George L. Shepley	" "	" "	*Herbert F. Morse
1894	George L. Shepley	*Herbert F. Morse	" "	" "	Winthrop Messenger
1895	*Herbert F. Morse	Winthrop Messenger	" "	" "	George E. Hilton
1896	Winthrop Messenger	*George E. Hilton	" "	" "	Freeman C. Hersey
1897	*George E. Hilton	*George H. Kenyon	" "	" "	Henry S. Rowe
1898	*George H. Kenyon	Freeman C. Hersey	" "	" "	*Hunter C. White
1899	Freeman C. Hersey	Dana J. Flanders	" "	" "	Edwin A. Blodgett
1900	Dana J. Flanders	Edwin A. Blodgett	" "	" "	E. Bentley Young
1901	Edwin A. Blodgett	E. Bentley Young	" "	" "	Charles I. Litchfield
1902	E. Bentley Young	Charles I. Litchfield	" "	" "	*John D. Munroe
1903	Charles I. Litchfield	*John D. Munroe	" "	" "	Walter W. Burnham
1904	*John D. Munroe	Walter W. Burnham	*Herbert F. Morse	" "	J. Albert Blake
1905	Walter W. Burnham	J. Albert Blake	" "	" "	Lafayette G. Blair
1906	J. Albert Blake	*Lafayette G. Blair	" "	" "	Frank L. Nagle
1907	*Lafayette G. Blair	Frank L. Nagle	" "	" "	Joseph G. Edgerly
1908	Frank L. Nagle	William W. Johnson	" "	" "	Walter F. Medding
1909	William W. Johnson	Walter F. Medding	" "	" "	Frederick I. Dana
1910	Walter F. Medding	Frederick I. Dana	" "	" "	Samuel D. Sherwood
1911	Frederick I. Dana	Samuel D. Sherwood	" "	" "	William H. Emerson
1912	Samuel D. Sherwood	William H. Emerson	E. Bentley Young	" "	William J. Bolton
1913	Wm. H. Emerson	William J. Bolton	" "	" "	Everett C. Benton
1914	William J. Bolton	Everett C. Benton	" "	" "	Harry C. Pollard
1915	Everett C. Benton	Harry G. Pollard	" "	" "	Henry C. Dexter

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY—*Continued*

Date	Grand Sword Bearer	Grand Warder	Grand Captain of the Guard	Grand Sentinel	Place where the Annual Conclave was Held
1805	*John Davis		*Nicholas Hoppin		Providence, R.I.
1806	*Stephen Foster	*Henry Purkitt	" "		Boston, Mass.
1807	" "	" "	" "		" "
1808	" "	" "	" "		Providence, R.I.
1809	" "	" "	" "		Newburyport, Mass.
1810	" "	" "	" "		Boston, Mass.
1811	" "	" "	" "		Providence, R.I.
1812	" "	" "	" "		Boston, Mass.
1813	" "	" "	*Edward Oliver		" "
1814	" "	" "	" "		" "
1815	" "	*Samuel Jackson	*William P. R. Benson.		Providence, R.I.
1816	*John J. Loring	*John A. Shaw	*Edward Oliver		Boston, Mass.
1817	" "	*H. Y. Cranston	" "		Providence, R.I.
1818	" "	" "	" "		Boston, Mass.
1819	" "	" "	" "		"
1820	*Samuel Howe	*John J. Loring	" "		" "
1821	" "	" "	*Ebenezer Oliver		" "
1822	" "	" "	" "		Providence, R.I.
1823	*Hector Coffin	*Jacob Amee		*Ebenezer Oliver	Boston, Mass.
1824	*Eleazer Wyer	" "		" "	Providence, R.I.
1825	*Thomas Power	" "		" "	Boston, Mass.
1826	" "	"		" "	Providence, R.I.
1827	" "	" "		" "	Boston, Mass.
1828	" "	" "		" "	Providence, R.I.
1829	*Joseph Young	*Abraham A. Dame		" "	Boston, Mass.
1830	" "	" "		" "	" "
1831	*John Hews	*Daniel Tenney		" "	" "
1832	*Charles W. Moore	" "		" "	" "
1833	*Ruel Baker	" "		*William C. Martin	" "
1834	*John R. Bradford	*John B. Hammatt		" "	" "
1835	*Winslow Lewis, Jr.	*Ruel Baker		" "	" "
1836	*Simon W. Robinson	*Winslow Lewis, Jr.		" "	" "
1837	*Hugh H. Tuttle	*Simon W. Robinson		" "	" "
1838	*Winslow Lewis, Jr.	" "		" "	" "
1839	" "	" "		" "	" "
1840	*Benjamin H. West	" "		*William Clemons	Providence, R.I.

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY—*Continued*

Date	Grand Sword Bearer	Grand Warder	Grand Captain of the Guard	Grand Sentinel	Place where the Annual Conclave was Held
1841	*Hugh H. Tuttle	*Simon W. Robinson			Boston, Mass.
1842	*Benjamin H. West	*Hugh H. Tuttle			" "
1843	" "	" "			" "
1844	*Hugh H. Tuttle	*William Eaton			" "
1845	" "	*William C. Barker			" "
1846	*James Easterbrook	*Alexander H. Putney			" "
1847	*Samuel Pearce	*Asa Woodbury			" "
1848	*Albert H. Kelsey	" "			" "
1849	" "	" "			" "
1850	" "	" "			" "
1851	*Asa Walker	*Cyrus Fisher			" "
1852	" "	" "			" "
1853	" "	" "			" "
1854	*John A. D. Joslin	*Nathan H. Gould			Providence, R.I.
1855	" "	" "			Boston, Mass.
1856	*Asa Walker	" "			" "
1857	*Charles B. Farnsworth	*Benjamin Dean			Providence, R.I.
1858	*Benjamin Dean	*William B. Blanding			Boston, Mass.
1859	" "	" "			" "
1860	*Gardner T. Swarts	" "			" "
1861	*Mark Symonds	*William S. Shurtleff		*Eben F. Gay	Providence, R.I
1862	*Gardner T. Swarts	*E. I. Titcomb	*William F. Salmon	" "	Boston, Mass.
1863	" "	*William F. Salmon	*John Shepley	" "	Providence, R.I.
1864	*Seth P. Miller	" "	" "	" "	Boston, Mass.
1865	" "	*Horace Daniels	Henry P. Perkins	" "	" "
1866	*Tracy P. Cheever	" "	" "	" "	" "
1867	" "	*Henry W. Warren	" "	" "	" "
1868	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1869	*Edward H. Brainard	*Henry P. Perkins	*Levi L. Webster	" "	Providence, R.I.
1870	*Henry Chickering	*Stafford W. Razee	*James M. Pendleton	" "	Boston, Mass.
1871	*Stafford W. Razee	*George W. Ray	George E. Stacy	" "	" "
1872	" "	" "	" "	*Frederick A. Pierce	Providence, R.I.
1873	*Hocum E. Hosford	*William H. Kent	*George H. Burnham	*Eben F. Gay	Boston, Mass.
1874	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1875	*George H. Burnham	" "	Caleb Saunders	*Benjamin F. Nourse	Providence, R.I.
1876	" "	Caleb Saunders	*George Moulton	" "	Boston, Mass.

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY—*Concluded*

Date	Grand Sword Bearer	Grand Warder	Grand Captain of the Guard	Grand Sentinel	Place where the Annual Conclave was Held
1877	*William D. Pool	*James M. Pendleton	*Gardner T. Sanford	*Benjamin F. Nourse	Boston, Mass.
1878	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1879	Charles B. Lancaster	*John Kent	Francello G. Jillson	" "	" "
1880	Walter B. Vincent	" "	*Joseph B. Mason	" "	" "
1881	Arthur G. Pollard	" "	" "	" "	" "
1882	*Dexter B. Vickary	*John L. Stevenson	Henry Field, Jr.	" "	" "
1883	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1884	*Henry W. Hartwell	John P. Sanborn	*Baalis Sanford	" "	" "
1885	*D. Frank Robinson	*Samuel O. Daniels	William H. H. Soule	" "	" "
1886	*Walter Cutting	Charles C. Spellman	*Nathan S. Kimball	" "	" "
1887	*Nathan S. Kimball	*Charles C. Fry	Thomas Kellough	*Eugene Stevens	" "
1888	*Charles C. Fry	*Alvord O. Miles	*Eugene H. Richards	" "	" "
1889	*Eugene H. Richards	Charles E. Pierce	*Frank T. Dwinell	" "	" "
1890	Charles E. Pierce	*Alvord O. Miles	*Frederick J. Foss	" "	" "
1891	*Walter Cutting	*George L. Allen	" "	" "	" "
1892	*Herbert F. Morse	Winthrop Messenger	Green Davis	" "	" "
1893	Winthrop Messenger	*George E. Hilton	Henry G. Jordan	*Henry D. Wilder	" "
1894	*George E. Hilton	Henry G. Jordan	*Albion F. Welch	" "	" "
1895	Henry G. Jordan	Freeman C. Hersey	Dana J. Flanders	J. Frank Child	" "
1896	Freeman C. Hersey	W. Howard Walker	Henry S. Rowe	*John D. Munroe	" "
1897	Dana J. Flanders	Edwin A. Blodgett	Henry K. Dunton	William E. Wilcox	" "
1898	Edwin A. Blodgett	*John D. Munroe	E. Bentley Young	" "	" "
1899	E. Bentley Young	Charles I. Litchfield	*John D. Munroe	" "	" "
1900	Charles I. Litchfield	*John D. Munroe	Charles E. Pierce	" "	" "
1901	*John D. Munroe	*J. Herbert Bowen	Charles A. Peabody	" "	" "
1902	Walter W. Burnham	Thomas L. Phillips	J. Albert Blake	" "	" "
1903	J. Albert Blake	W. Howard Walker	Charles E. Pierce	" "	" "
1904	*Lafayette G. Blair	Charles E. Pierce	Frank L. Nagle	" "	" "
1905	Frank L. Nagle	Samuel D. Sherwood	Joseph G. Edgerly	" "	" "
1906	Samuel D. Sherwood	Charles E. Pierce	" "	" "	" "
1907	Robert L. Spencer	Henry H. Litchfield	William W. Johnson	" "	" "
1908	Frederick I. Dana	Judson C. McKenzie	Charles E. Pierce	" "	" "
1909	Samuel D. Sherwood	Frank T. Pearce	Isaac Chase	" "	" "
1910	William H. Emerson	R. Walter Hilliard	Harry G. Pollard	" "	" "
1911	William J. Bolton	Charles E. Pierce	Everett C. Benton	" "	" "
1912	Everett C. Benton	Asa C. Jewett	Harry G. Pollard	" "	" "
1913	Harry G. Pollard	Charles A. Harrington	Isaac Chase	" "	" "
1914	Charles R. Hunt	Charles E. Prior	Henry C. Dexter	" "	" "
1915	Asa C. Jewett	Joseph H. Potter	Charles R. Hunt	" "	" "

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers, and Eminent Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Your correspondent respectfully submits the following report, being the review of the Proceedings of the following Grand Jurisdictions, Proceedings not having been received from England and Wales, Illinois, New York, North Carolina, and Washington.

Alabama	1915	Missouri	1915
Arkansas	1914, 1915	Montana	1914
Arizona	1915	Nebraska	1915
California	1915	New Hampshire	1914
Canada	1914	New Jersey	1915
Colorado	1914	New Mexico	1914
Connecticut	1915	North Dakota	1915
District of Columbia	1915	Ohio	1914
Florida	1915	Oklahoma	1915
Georgia	1915	Oregon	1914
Idaho	1914	Pennsylvania	1915
Indiana	1915	South Carolina	1915
Iowa	1915	South Dakota	1914, 1915
Kansas	1915	Tennessee	1915
Kentucky	1915	Texas	1915
Louisiana	1915	Utah	1915
Maine	1914	Vermont	1915
Maryland	1915	Virginia	1914
Michigan	1915	West Virginia	1915
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FOREWORD

We again approach the conclusion of our review, and while we have these doings and thoughts of the various Grand Bodies and correspondents with us they are impotent for good or evil, but when they part from our hands, whether the matter contained in them be good or bad, it has been irrevocably exerted and can never be recalled.

So far as we can discover, genuine prosperity has prevailed during the year. Our numbers have been largely increased, the qualifications of candidates have been higher than ever, and never was greater care taken against the admission of unworthy members, and no element of weakness or danger is found in the reports.

Many vacant places are noted in the ranks by death of those valiant Knights who labored long and faithfully to spread the cause of Immanuel, and from the additions to our ranks we hope that the new recruits will zealously strive to espouse the good work and principles of the Order and be ever eager to promote the same.

To our colaborers in the guild we have no words to express our feeling for their kindly courtesy and criticism of our reviews, and the same has made our labor one of love.

ALABAMA, 1915

The Fifty-fifth Annual Conclave, held in the city of Troy, May 12 and 13, 1915.

At the opening of Grand Commandery all the Grand Officers were found to be present. The first business was the address of welcome, delivered by Eminent Sir Lawrence E. Gellerstedt, who welcomed the Grand Commandery in behalf of Troy Commandery, No. 12, to which graceful response was made by E.·.Sir Lawrence H. Lee on behalf of Grand Commandery.

The report of the Committee on Credentials showed all the Grand Officers present, eleven Past Grand Commanders, and the representatives of the constituent Commanderies. Thirty Grand Representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions were present, Massachusetts and Rhode Island not being represented.

From Grand Commander William E. Bingham's address we find he made seven decisions, of which we quote the following:

> "1. The fees for the Orders of Knighthood cannot be waived or remitted in favor of a minister of the gospel."
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> 3. Bonds, no matter how well secured, cannot be accepted in payment of fees for the Orders of Knighthood, for while in some instances they may be as good or better than the cash, yet it would be establishing a precedent that might cause much trouble to the Commanderies accepting them.
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> 5. A Commandery can adopt a by-law legally to grant life membership, after a period of years membership, upon the payment of a fixed amount in cash, conditioned upon continued affiliation in the Lodge and Chapter.
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> 6. An objection to a candidate for the Orders of Knighthood lodged with a temporary Commander of a Commandery has the same force and effect as if filed with the Eminent Commander, in as much as the Eminent Commander *pro tem* while acting as such has all the powers and authority of the installed Eminent Commander."

He also reports issuing a dispensation to form and open a Commandery at Piedmont, to be known as Piedmont Commandery, No. 29.

He also granted dispensation to form and open a new Commandery at Huntsville, to be known as Huntsville Commandery, No. 7, granting them the privilege of using the number of the Commandery originally located there which forfeited their charter.

Under "Dispensations" he says he has granted dispensation only in those instances "where, in my opinion, the best interest of Templarism would be promoted, and the spirit of no Grand Encampment statute would be violated thereby."

He also remembers the distinguished fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions who had been called to the Great Beyond during the year.

Among his recommendations is one that the ordinary receipt for dues, torn out of an ordinary receipt book, is out of keeping with the dignity of the Order, and not convenient for preservation or traveling card, and he recommended that the Grand Recorder be instructed to prepare card receipts, and that all subordinate Commanderies be required to purchase and use them in receipting for dues. In his "Conclusion" he states that one thing has deeply impressed him during his administration, viz., the forming and cementing of the ties of brotherly love and friendship among the Christian soldiers who march under the banner of Templarism and its added strength each year they meet in annual conclave.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows receipts, with balance on hand, of $2,618.41; balance on hand after disbursements, $1,045.59.

We find by the Statistical Summary that the present membership is 1,808, a net gain for the year of 145.

The Committee on New Commanderies recommended that a charter be granted to Piedmont Commandery, No. 29, and that Huntsville Commandery, No. 7, be continued under dispensation.

That the jurisdiction is in good condition is evidenced by the report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, who report that nothing had been presented to them for consideration.

At the election of officers, Sir Hartsford L. Ison was elected Grand Commander and Sir George A. Beauchamp re-elected Grand Recorder.

During the session Grand Commandery marched in a body to the First Baptist Church, where Ascension Day services were held. At the conclusion of the services Grand Commandery formed in line and repaired to the asylum of Troy Commandery, No. 12, and the Grand Officers were duly installed into their respective offices.

The report on Correspondence is by E∴Sir Nathaniel L. Mewhinney. Frater Mewhinney departs from the orthodox method of reviewing, but we are of the opinion the old way is preferable, although the review makes excellent reading and contains much of interest.

R∴E∴Sir Hartsford L. Ison, Gadsden, Grand Commander.

E∴Sir George A. Beauchamp, Montgomery, Grand Recorder.

E∴Sir Nathaniel L. Mewhinney, Birmingham, reappointed Committee on Correspondence.

The Fifty-sixth Annual Conclave to be held in the city of Birmingham, commencing Wednesday, April 26, 1916.

Arkansas, 1914

The Forty-second Annual Conclave, held in the city of Stuttgart, May 19, 20, and 21, 1914.

Upon calling the roll all the Grand Officers, with the exception of the Grand Standard Bearer, were found to be present, six Past Grand Commanders, and the representatives, either in person or by proxy, of the eleven Commanderies.

The first business after opening was the reception of R∴E∴Sir William F. Kuhn, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Missouri, and personal representative of the M∴E∴ Grand Master, who was received and cordially welcomed.

R∴E∴Sir John A. Plummer, Grand Commander, then delivered the first portion of his address. He extended a knightly greeting to the distinguished visitors and representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions and to all the Sir Knights of Arkansas. At his direction the Sir Knights present uncovered and stood in reverent silence while the Grand Recorder read the knightly dead of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

Grand Commandery then adjourned until the following day at nine o'clock.

After the appointment of committees the Grand Commander continued his address. He rendered only one decision and that was in accordance with constitutional law.

He stated he had three requests for dispensations to receive and ballot upon petitions for the Order at the same conclave, which were refused. The balance of his dispensations were few. The balance of the address is of a purely local nature and would not interest our readers.

Calling the roll of Grand Representatives twenty-one were found to be present, but we fail to find the Sir Knight representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island among the number.

From the Grand Recorder's report we find the whole number of members 1,385, a net gain for the year of 3.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts, with balance on hand, $5,518.13; disbursements, $2,232.81.

Grand Commandery again adjourned until the next day, May 21st, when the routine business of the jurisdiction was concluded.

At the election of Grand Officers Sir Joseph D. Covey was elected Grand Commander, Sir Fay Hempstead re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence is again by that distinguished frater and member of the "Round Table," Sir Fay Hempstead, and like all that have preceded it commences with a "Proemial" (No. Six). Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention, three pages being devoted to the same, and we tender our thanks for his kindly words for your correspondent.

R.·. E.·. Sir Joseph D. Covey, Little Rock, Grand Commander.

E.·. Sir Fay Hempstead, Little Rock, Grand Recorder and Correspondent.

The next annual conclave will be held in the city of Mammoth Spring, on the third Tuesday in May, 1915.

ARKANSAS, 1915

The Forty-third Annual Conclave, held at Mammoth Spring, May 18, 19, and 20, 1915.

Grand Commandery was opened in annual conclave in the asylum of Calvary Commandery, No. 23, May 18th, all the Grand Officers present, four Past Grand Commanders, and representatives of the constituent Commanderies.

Immediately following the opening the Grand Commander, R.·. E.·. Sir Joseph D. Covey, delivered his annual address. His first words called the Sir Knights to attention, who stood uncovered while the Grand Recorder read the names of the knightly dead of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions, who had departed during the year.

On "Condition of the Order" we quote from his address:

"On account of the foreign war, which produced a general depression and unsettled condition of our State and country, financially and otherwise, Templarism in our State during the last year has not advanced very materially in numbers, but we have had time to meditate and deliberate upon conditions both at home and abroad and an opportunity to examine ourselves — put ourselves on trial, so to speak — and see if we measure up to the requirements as specified by the principles of our magnanimous Order. The exalted purposes for which we stand, the solid and secure foundation upon which our Order is built, certainly demand of us the best that is within us, for no Masonic edifice is symmetrical and complete unless, and until, the building measures up to the foundation upon which it stands. The foundation upon which our Templar edifice is built is indeed broad, solid, safe, and secure, and if the superstructure is inferior and incomplete in any of its parts, then we have failed in our duty toward God, our country, our neighbor, our home and fireside, and to ourselves. Sir Knights, by the help of God let us measure up to the moral and spiritual standard of Templar duty to which we have been so sacredly called, and by so doing leave the imprint of our lives, in all things required of us, upon the individuals with whom we come in daily contact and the community in which we live, thus leaving to those who come after us the heritage of a pure, upright, exemplary life, the influence of which shall be felt beyond the age in which we live."

In regard to decisions the Grand Commander reported there had been no legal questions submitted to him upon which he had rendered decisions.

From his "Recommendations" we excerpt the following:

"Sir Knights, I hope the time is near at hand — yes, now at hand — when some means may be provided for the care and keeping of our aged and indigent brethren, their wives and widows. Such movements are always inaugurated by the Grand Lodge of the States, assisted by the Grand Chapter, Grand Council, and Grand Commandery. I recommend that the Grand Commandery, before we close our deliberations, pass a resolution pledging to the Grand Lodge the co-operation and assistance of the Grand Commandery in the erection of a home for the care of our indigent brethren, their wives and widows, and urge them to proceed without further delay. Why should such a necessary and such a noble movement be longer delayed? None can deny that it embraces one of the principal tenets of Masonry. No Mason should refuse to pay a liberal assessment made by the Grand Lodge for the furtherance of this great and noble cause.

"We are in deed and in truth our brother's keeper when he reaches the age and financial condition that he can no longer sustain himself."

Upon calling the roll of Grand Representatives thirteen responded, the representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island being absent.

The Grand Recorder reported present membership 1,345, a decrease for the year of 46.

The Grand Treasurer submitted a report showing balance on hand, with receipts, $4,724.69; disbursements, $2,308.74.

At the second day's session, it being announced that R.·.E.·. Sir Isaac H. Hettinger, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Missouri, and personal representative of the V.·.E.·.Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, having arrived in the city, a committee was appointed to meet him at the station and escort him to the asylum. He having arrived under escort of the committee was duly introduced into the asylum, and after being duly received and welcomed R.·.E.·.Sir Hettinger addressed Grand Commandery, expressing his appreciation of the cordial greeting that had been extended to him.

At the election of Grand Officers Sir John L. W. Grover was elected Grand Commander, Sir Fay Hempstead re-elected Grand Recorder.

The Grand Officers-elect, excepting the Grand Senior Warden, were then installed by R.·.E.·.Sir David I. Mills, Past Grand Commander.

Past Grand Commander's jewel was presented to R.·.E.·.Sir Joseph D. Covey and to R.·.E.·.Sir David J. Mills.

There being no further business, Grand Commandery adjourned. At the conclusion of the conclave Calvary Commandery, No. 23, entered the asylum, when the Order of the Temple was conferred.

The report on Correspondence, occupying fifty-six pages, is by that distinguished frater, E.·.Sir Fay Hempstead, and, as usual, is a fine, comprehensive review. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention of two pages.

R.·.E.·.Sir John L. W. Grover, Batesville, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir Fay Hempstead, Little Rock, Grand Recorder and Correspondent.

The Forty-fourth Annual Conclave to be held in the asylum of Hugh de Payens Commandery, No. 1, Little Rock, on the third Tuesday in May, 1916.

Arizona, 1915

The Twenty-second Annual Conclave, held in the city of Prescott, February 8, 1915.

All of the Grand Officers present, with the exception of the Grand Captain of the Guard; nine Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of twenty-one sister Grand Jurisdictions, the representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, E.·.Sir George J. Roskruge, being among the number.

The first business in order was the address of Grand Commander James M. Swetnam, and like many others he gave a record of the knightly dead of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions. During the year he granted but one dispensation, that being for a Commandery to act as escort to the Grand Lodge of Arizona at the laying of the foundation of the Episcopal Church at Tucson.

From the report of the Grand Recorder we find membership December 31, 1914, 601, a gain for the year of 7.

The Grand Treasurer reports balance on hand of $1,912.10; disbursements, $903.30.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that no complete report of the committee be published in the Proceedings this year.

The Committee on Jurisprudence, referring to the act of the Grand Commander in declining to issue dispensation to Bisbee Commandery, No. 4, to act as escort to the Grand Lodge of Arizona at the laying of the corner stone of the Bisbee High

School, regretted that the dispensation was not granted as an act of courtesy to the Grand Lodge of Arizona, as well as Bisbee Commandery, No. 4, and recommended that the action of the Grand Commander be not approved, which report was adopted.

At the election of Grand Officers Sir Frederick P. Cruice was elected Grand Commander, Sir George J. Roskruge re-elected Grand Recorder.

After the installation of officers a Past Grand Commander's jewel was presented to the retiring Grand Commander.

No report on correspondence.

R.·.E.·.Sir Frederick P. Cruice, Prescott, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir George J. Roskruge, Tucson, Grand Recorder.

The next annual conclave to be held in Tucson, February 7, 1916.

California, 1915

This is a splendid volume, with frontispiece of R.·.E.·.Sir Perry W. Weidner, one of Bather's best productions.

The Grand Commandery was opened in Fifty-seventh Annual Conclave, in Masonic Temple, San Francisco, Thursday, April 22, 1915.

From the report of the Committee on Credentials we find that all of the Grand Officers were present, with the exception of the Grand Prelate; twelve Past Grand Commanders and the Grand Representatives of twenty-seven sister Grand Jurisdictions, among whom was E.·.Sir Albert E. Boynton, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The first business after roll call was the reception of distinguished fraters, among whom was V.·.E.·.Sir Jehiel W. Chamberlin, Grand Captain-General of the Grand Encampment and personal representative of the Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment. There were also announced as being present M.·.E.·.Sir Philip D. Gordon, Supreme Grand Master of the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada, accompanied by E.·.Sir A. A. Bittues, Preceptor of Richard Cœur de Lion Commandery of Montreal. These distinguished fraters were escorted into the asylum and received with the honors due their exalted positions. V.·.E.·.Sir Chamberlin upon his introduction delivered a very interesting address.

Grand Commander James R. Tapscott then delivered his address, containing all the information necessary to fully acquaint the fraters of that jurisdiction of every transaction that had occurred during the year. His dispensations were many, but all for constitutional purposes.

He also announced the constitution of Auburn Commandery, No. 52, in the city of Auburn.

Among his recommendations was the following:

"The experiences of the year have convinced the Grand Commander that the most thorough and thoughtful consideration should be given by this Grand Commandery to the question of increasing the efficiency of the officers and fraters of the various Commanderies throughout the Grand Jurisdiction, and particularly of those Commanderies which, because of their locations at great distances from the nearest Commanderies, are deprived of the many advantages enjoyed by those Commanderies that are enabled to interchange visits frequently.

To this end the Grand Commander recommends the appointment by the Grand Commander-elect of a committee of five well-qualified members of the Grand Commandery to take such steps as in the judgment of that committee may be deemed advisable to ascertain the result of the experiences of the several Grand Commanderies under the jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment of the United States of America in this connection, and to report at the Fifty-eighth Annual Conclave of this Grand Commandery the result of its investigations, and its conclusions based thereon."

In the conclusion of his address he pays fitting tribute to that veteran Grand Recorder E.·.Sir Thomas A. Davies.

From the Grand Recorder's report we find the present membership, 7,656, a net gain for the year of 210.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts, with balance on hand, $50,605.43; disbursements, $14,806.91, and that the assets of Grand Commandery amount to $81,898.52.

The Committee on Dispensations and Charters recommended the granting of a dispensation for a Commandery to be located at El Centro, under the name of Imperial Valley Commandery, and that a charter be issued to the Sir Knights at Glendale for Glendale Commandery, No. 53, and the report was concurred in.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances report nothing had been presented to them for their consideration.

The Committee on Necrology made a splendid report, giving due tribute to the memory of the deceased fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions, which is printed in full in the Proceedings.

At the election of Grand Officers Sir Perry W. Weidner was elected Grand Commander, E∴Sir Thomas A. Davies re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence, occupying 102 pages, is by that able and veteran reviewer, Sir Thomas A. Davies. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention of two pages.

R∴E∴Sir Perry W. Weidner, Los Angeles, Grand Commander.

E∴Sir Thomas A. Davies, San Francisco, Grand Recorder and Correspondent.

The Fifty-eighth Annual Conclave to be held in the city of San Francisco April 20, 1916.

Canada, 1914

The Thirty-first Annual Assembly, held at Ottawa, Ontario, August 12 and 13, 1914.

M∴E∴Sir Knight William P. Ryrie, Acting Deputy Grand Master, directed the escort be formed for the reception of the Most Eminent the Supreme Grand Master, Philip D. Gordon, and the arch of steel being formed the Supreme Grand Master was conducted to the dais and saluted by the Sir Knights.

The constitutional number being present the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada was opened in ample form.

The first business was the reception of the Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of New York, who was introduced and cordially welcomed by the Grand Master, and gracefully responded to the words of welcome.

There were also present his Worship the Mayor of Ottawa, Taylor McVeity, Esq., who was also announced. Great Priory was then called off and his Worship was introduced and cordially welcomed the members of the Order of the Temple to the capital city of the Dominion. The Grand Master made courteous response.

M∴E∴Sir Arthur MacArthur, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States, and suite, was then introduced and received under the arch of steel and cordially welcomed by the Supreme Grand Master. Grand Master MacArthur in his usual finished manner acknowledged the kind words of the Canadian Grand Master at length.

Grand Master Gordon's address was an able document, not only covering very fully the official matters, but relating in a pleasant and engaging manner the happiness and many pleasures that came to him through his associations with the fraters in his official position. He also believes in a more frequent interchange of visits between preceptories, for the reason that it enables them to witness and criticize one another's work. Speaking of the Denver Triennial he says.

> "Of the meeting itself, especially to any one who has never seen such a magnificent gathering of Knights Templar, it was certainly a revelation and an inspiration; the finest and best men the country produces gathered to do honor to the Order they all love so much, for in doing so they do honor to themselves."

He quotes from one of the Denver newspapers an article published on the evening of the day of the parade, entitled "The Dignity of the Conclave." Grand Master Gordon is one of the particular friends of your correspondent, and he is not only a dignified and kindly gentleman, but always a most courteous companion.

The report on Correspondence is by M∴E∴Sir Will H. Whyte. The opening of the report takes up the duty entailed by the war upon "those of us who are unable to go upon the firing line," and concludes, "Should we not as Templars humbly and devoutly pray, 'God help the widow and the fatherless,' and do our utmost to assist and comfort the many who will be bereft."

Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives kindly mention.

M.·.E.·.Sir Philip D. Gordon, Montreal, Supreme Grand Master.

M.·.E.·.Sir Will H. Whyte, Montreal, Grand Chancellor and Correspondent.

The next annual assembly will be held in Montreal, August 11, 1915.

COLORADO, 1914

The Thirty-ninth Annual Conclave, held in the city of Alamosa, August 28 and 29, 1914.

All of the Grand Officers present. The first business was the reception of R.·.E.·.Sir Alexander A. Sharp, special representative of the M.·.E.·.Grand Master, who was received in due form and most cordially welcomed by R.·.E.·.Sir William D. Pierce, Grand Commander. V.·.E.·.Sir George W. Vallery, Grand Warder of the Grand Encampment of the United States, and other distinguished fraters were also received and welcomed.

The roll of deceased Grand Commanders was called, and as each name was called response was made by the Grand Commander, giving the date of decease.

Calling the roll of Grand Representatives, twenty-two responded. We are sorry to say that the representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island was not among the number.

The Grand Commander's address followed, and we excerpt the following:

> "Never since I entered the portal of Templarism has it and its mighty influence for good been so appreciated and valued by me as it has been since its mighty hosts were within our gates last year; then I keenly observed the character and class of men who were our guests. They were men of intellect, of high standing and influence in their respective communities; many were from the higher walks of life; all were from various useful, honorable occupations, and their faces reflected their clean, upright lives. It has been repeated again and again, that no such gathering, either before or since, has graced our State. Their purpose is noble and true, and we rejoice in the men who are the advocates of Templarism."

Grand Commander Pierce reported that charter having been granted to Meeker Commandery, U.D., the same was duly constituted October 15, 1913. Petitions were received to form a Commandery to be located at Sterling, and one at Steamboat Springs, which he declined to grant, his reasons for same being as follows:

> "A Commandery is a luxury, and unless it possesses proper paraphernalia and adequate asylum facilities it will soon become a burden upon the Fraternity and kill an otherwise prosperous Chapter. The ambition to crown a Masonic career with a gilded sword is a laudable one, but we cannot allow sentiment to warp judgment and good policy. Railroads and modern facilities for travel should enable any worthy Royal Arch Mason in the State to secure the Orders of Knighthood at little inconvenience or unnecessary expense."

He also states that his correspondence for the year did not contain a decision or opinion of sufficient importance to report in full to Grand Commandery, and he had not been called upon during the year to issue a single dispensation.

The balance of the address contains a list of his visitations and other matters of purely local interest.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows receipts, with balance on hand, $13,256.65; expenditures, $3,661.21.

From the report of the Grand Recorder we find that the membership July 31, 1914, was 3,224, a net gain for the year of 34.

Upon the election of officers being held, Sir John W. Wingate was elected Grand Commander, Sir Charles H. Jacobson re-elected Grand Recorder.

The Committee on Necrology present a splendid report in remembrance of those fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions who had sheathed their swords forever.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances report nothing had been presented to them for consideration, and that peace and harmony and good will prevailed throughout the jurisdiction.

The officers elected and appointed were duly installed by R∴E∴Sir Alexander A. Sharp, R∴E∴Sir Alvert B. McGaffey acting as Grand Marshal. Following their usual custom R∴E∴ Sir William D. Pierce was presented with a Past Grand Commander's jewel, which he gracefully received and acknowledged his thanks.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is by R∴E∴ Sir William D. Todd and occupies 119 pages of the Proceedings. It is a well-written, comprehensive report, full and complete in every respect. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention. He remarks that he does not see the desirability of semi-annual conclaves, and we wish to acquaint Sir Todd of the fact that semi-annual conclaves have been held by the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island from 1805 to the present, and it is pretty hard to break away from old habits.

He also says he does not agree with your correspondent in our opinion of reports on correspondence, and we are of the opinion it would not be well for all of the correspondents to agree on a routine way of reviewing the various Proceedings of the Grand Commanderies, and that a varied system is far preferable to mere routine. Also we cannot agree with Sir Todd that the fraters of the "Round Table" are as a rule much better qualified to criticise and suggest than the Grand Commanders; neither do we believe, as before stated, that it is the duty of the correspondent to criticise the doings of sister Grand Jurisdictions, but that the fraters of the jurisdiction in which the correspondent resides should have laid before them as concisely as possible the doings of the other Grand Commanderies, that they may read the same and be governed by what is good, see the errors that are committed, and avoid them.

R∴E∴Sir John W. Wingate, Durango, Grand Commander.

E∴Sir Charles H. Jacobson, Denver, Grand Recorder.

R∴E∴Sir William D. Todd, Denver, reappointed Chairman of Committee on Correspondence.

The Fortieth Annual Conclave will be held in Denver, Friday, September 24, 1915.

CONNECTICUT, 1915

The Eighty-eighth Annual Conclave, held in the city of Danbury, March 16, 1915.

All of the Grand Officers present, ten Past Grand Commanders, the representatives of the constituent Commanderies, and twenty-eight Grand Representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions, among whom we find our good friend Sir Eli C. Birdsey, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The first business after the appointment of committees was the reception of distinguished visitors. The Captain of the Guard having announced that R∴E∴Sir Guy W. Shoemaker, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of New York and representative of the Grand Master, was in waiting, the Grand Commander ordered an escort, who presently introduced the distinguished frater, when the Grand Commander welcomed him in a manner befitting his exalted position.

R∴E∴Sir Frank M. Scott, Grand Commander, then delivered his annual address, in which he set forth the transactions of his office during the year.

His dispensations were few in number and all for constitutional purposes.

The address although brief contains concisely all that transpired in the jurisdiction during the year.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows receipts, with balance on hand, $7,580.01; disbursements, $1,745.30.

From the report of the Grand Recorder we find that the eleven Commanderies have a membership of 4,171, a net gain for the year of 53.

This jurisdiction, like many others, has a Committee on Necrology, who present an extended report, paying fitting tribute to the departed fraters of our Order, which is printed in the Proceedings.

On the evening preceding the Annual Conclave the members of Grand Commandery were guests at a banquet given at the Hotel Green, by Crusader Commandery, No. 10, and the record says it was early in the morning when the party sought their places of rest.

Much routine business was transacted during the conclave, all of a local nature.

At the election of officers Sir George H. N. Johnson was elected Grand Commander, Sir Eli C. Birdsey re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence is by R∴E∴Sir Samuel J. Bryant, occupying seventy-four pages of the Proceedings. He most ably reviews all the Grand Jurisdictions and says he hopes that something worth the time and expense may result. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention with three pages. He observes that your correspondent is not given to extended remarks in reviewing Proceedings. We have so often given the reasons why we do not criticise the affairs of other jurisdictions that it is needless to repeat them here.

R∴E∴Sir George H. N. Johnson, Bridgeport, Grand Commander.

R∴E∴Sir Eli C. Birdsey, Meriden, Grand Recorder.

R∴E∴Sir Samuel J. Bryant, reappointed Correspondent.

The next annual conclave to be held in Bridgeport, March 21, 1916.

District of Columbia, 1915

The Twentieth Annual Conclave, held in Masonic Temple, Washington, D. C., May 10, 1915.

All of the Grand Officers present, with the exception of the Grand Senior Warden, Grand Treasurer, and Grand Sword Bearer; nine Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of thirty-two sister Grand Jurisdictions, the Grand Representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, E∴Sir Gratz P. Dunkum being among the number.

Among the distinguished visitors present were R∴E∴Sir Alexander, Grand Master of Masons of the District of Columbia, and R∴E∴Sir George E. Corson, Deputy General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, and E∴Sir Lem. Towers, Jr., Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the District of Columbia.

R∴E∴Sir Thomas J. Shryock, representative of the M∴E∴ Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, having advised that he would be unable to be present on account of the illness of his wife, a telegram of sympathy was ordered sent to him.

The first business was the address of R∴E∴Sir Charles T. Lindsey, Grand Commander, who first pays a fitting tribute to the departed fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions. The address is a painstaking and comprehensive review of the transactions of his office during his incumbency, and in conclusion he pays fitting tribute to the Grand Recorder, E∴Sir Arvine W. Johnson, for his "faithful, competent, and courteous discharge of the duties of his office."

The report of the Grand Recorder shows membership to be 1,643, a loss for the year of 40.

The Grand Treasurer reports balance on hand $3,068.80; disbursements, $2,343.31.

The committee appointed for that purpose report adversely on the resolution, "that on all parades or public ceremonies, when in full dress, the Inspector-General shall wear, in addition to his regular uniform, an aiguillette of gold cord, and adjutants of Commanderies an aiguillette of silver cord," but the fraters present differing with the committee, the resolution was upon motion of R∴E∴Sir Knight Simpson adopted.

That the jurisdiction is in good condition is evidenced by the report of the Committee on Grievances, who report that nothing had been presented to them for consideration.

The Committee on Templar Jurisprudence recommended that the word "mounted" after De Molay — De Molay Mounted Commandery, No. 4 — be stricken out and the Commandery hereafter be known as De Molay Commandery, No. 4, and the report was adopted.

R∴E∴Sir William T. Galliher, Chairman of the Special Committee appointed for that purpose, presented a memorial of the late R∴E∴Sir William H. H. Cissel, which was adopted by Grand Commandery standing during the reading of the report.

At the election of officers Sir Edwin B. Hesse was elected Grand Commander, Sir Arvine W. Johnston re-elected Grand Recorder.

The officers elect and appointed were then installed into their respective offices, after which a Past Grand Commander's jewel was presented to R.∴E.∴Sir Charles T. Lindsey.

After the appointment of Standing Committees, Grand Commandery adjourned.

The report on Correspondence is by that distinguished and able writer, George E. Corson, who reviews forty-seven Grand Jurisdictions, occupying sixty-five pages of the Proceedings. Like all others that have come to our attention, the writer is fully up to those previously rendered. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives two pages of courteous attention, and in the same he says a good word for your correspondent.

R.∴E.∴Sir Edwin B. Hesse, Washington, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir Arvine W. Johnston, Washington, Grand Recorder.

R.∴E.∴Sir George E. Corson reappointed Chairman Committee on Correspondence.

The Twenty-first Annual Conclave to be held May 9, 1916.

Florida, 1915

The Twenty-first Annual Conclave, held in the asylum of Oriental Commandery, No. 9, Daytona, April 13, 1915.

All the Grand Officers present, the representatives of the constituent Commanderies, and the representatives of twenty-one sister Grand Jurisdictions. We are pleased to note our representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island among the number.

After the appointment of committees, Grand Commander R.∴E.∴Sir Galen B. Seaman delivered his address. He, like many other Grand Commanders, embodies in his report a tribute to the departed fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions. He also reported that during the year dispensations had been granted for a Commandery to be located at Fort Pierce, to be known as St. Lucie Commandery, and one to be located at West Palm Beach, to be known as Palm Beach Commandery; also a Commandery to be known as Ocala Commandery to be located at Ocala.

He also recommended that something be done to avoid at each recurring session of the Grand Commandery the failure of some of the subordinate Commanderies to have submitted their annual returns, the Grand Recorder thereby being unable to make a full report, and recommends a fine be imposed upon the subordinate Commandery for each day the annual report is delayed beyond the day on which it should be in the hands of the Grand Recorder.

He reported having made but one decision during the year, as follows: An Eminent Commander applied for dispensation to receive and act upon petition of a naval officer at a special conclave, and the Grand Commander ruled that, under Section III of the Statutes of the Grand Encampment, a petition for the Orders could not be received or acted upon except at stated conclaves.

The Grand Commander also takes exception to the habit of the Commanderies of the jurisdiction of opening in "Short Form," and remarks, "Why the Grand Encampment in its surplus of wisdom ever authorized the short-cut method has been a puzzle to many an ardent Templar. Let us 'cut it out' whenever possible."

He gives a resumé of the relative annual gain of the several Commanderies of the jurisdiction, and remarks that he refrains from comment on the figures further than to say that they disclose a condition of apparent apathy in at least ten of the Commanderies. He suggests, "a closer touch of subordinate Commanderies; more frequent intercourse between them; more frequent exchange of knightly courtesies. *Second.* A generous attention to the social side of life among Masons and their families. *Third.* Opening the conclaves in full form." He also suggests that all Sir Knights be required to own a regulation uniform and appear in it when attending the conclaves.

The Grand Recorder reports the present number of members 1,315, a net gain for the year of 106.

The Committee on Doings of Grand Officers pays a fitting tribute to the valued services of the Grand Recorder, and from our knowledge of him we have no doubt he deserved all the commendation that could be given him.

From the Grand Treasurer's report we find that the receipts, with balance on hand, were $3,835.48; disbursements, $1,293.47.

The Committee on Memorials present a splendid report, paying fitting tribute to the departed fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

At the election of officers William R. O'Neal was elected Grand Commander, Wilber P. Webster re-elected Grand Recorder.

The officers elected and appointed were installed into their respective offices by R.·.E.·.Sir Silas B. Wright, assisted by R.·.E.·.Sir James Carnell.

No report on correspondence.

R.·.E.·.Sir William R. O'Neal, Orlando, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir Wilber P. Webster, Jacksonville, Grand Recorder.

The Twenty-second Annual Conclave to be held in the city of Orlando, Tuesday, April 11, 1916.

GEORGIA, 1915

The ponderous volume of the Proceedings of the Fifty-fourth Annual Conclave is before us.

The Fifty-fourth Annual Conclave, held in the city of Augusta, May 5 and 6, 1915.

Previous to the opening ceremonies there was a review and parade. At the opening of Grand Commandery all the Grand Officers were present, with the exception of the Grand Junior Warden.

The first business was the address of R.·.E.·.Sir William F. Bowe, Grand Commander. He paid a fitting tribute to the departed fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

He reported granting a dispensation to form and open a Commandery U.D. at Thomasville, under the name of Bethlehem Commandery, No. 30.

He refused his consent for the Order of Malta to be conferred by one not a Past Commander or a ranking officer.

Among his decisions was a refusal to allow the Knight Templar chapeaux to be used in an exhibition drill by ladies for a Masonic charity.

Among his recommendations was one for the establishment of a permanent Committee on General Welfare, of five members, the duties of the committee being to promote the adoption of policies of the Grand Body calculated to upbuild the interest, enthusiasm, and membership of the Order, and to encourage the careful rejection of all improper material.

Relative to the matter of nomination of officers he says he believes a "full, frank, free expression of preferences by nominations would result in fewer mistakes, and greatly enhance the chances of the selection of the best man for the office, and moreover the knight selected would be the choice of the subordinate Commanderies."

The balance of the address is given over to various general orders, reports of inspectors, etc.

After the appointment of Standing Committees, Grand Commandery adjourned until the following day.

SECOND DAY

Grand Commandery reconvened at 9.30 A.M.

At the election of officers Sir Benjamin F. Hardeman was elected Grand Commander, Sir Charles S. Wood re-elected Grand Recorder.

From the report of the Grand Recorder we find the number of members 3,441, a net gain for the year of 147.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts, with balance on hand, $21,843.19; disbursements, $8,393.43.

The report of the Memorial Committee is an elaborate document, occupying many pages of the Proceedings, being devoted to tributes to the memory of the departed fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

The report on Correspondence is by the Grand Recorder, E.·.Sir Charles S. Wood, occupying 110 pages of the Proceedings. It is needless to say that the report is full and complete, and does great credit to this able and conscientious writer. Massachusetts and Rhode Island is given courteous review with two pages, and he calls our report for 1914 "complete," for which he will please accept our grateful acknowledgments.

R.·.E.·.Sir Benjamin F. Hardeman, Athens, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir Charles S. Wood, Savannah, Grand Recorder.

The next annual conclave will convene at Rome, May 10, 1916.

IDAHO, 1914

The Eleventh Annual Conclave, held in Masonic Temple, Lewiston, June 17 and 18, 1914.

All the Grand Officers present, with the exception of the Grand Junior Warden, Grand Standard Bearer, and Grand Prelate. Three Past Grand Commanders also present.

Following the appointment of committees, Grand Commander George M. Waterhouse delivered his annual address. In the same he pays fitting tribute to the departed fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows receipts, with balance on hand, of $2,521.12; disbursements, $1,298.20.

The Grand Recorder reported number of members 734, a gain for the year of 35.

The Committee on Grievances and Appeals reported that no trouble had appeared during the year and nothing had been referred to them for action.

At the second day's session the Grand Representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions, twelve in number, were received and cordially welcomed, but we fail to find the Sir Knight representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island was among the number.

At the election of officers Sir Ralph T. Morgan was elected Grand Commander and Sir Lewis E. Ensign, Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence occupies thirty-seven pages of the Proceedings and is by R.∴E.∴Sir Frank D. Winn, and is his first "attempt." He reviews forty-five Grand Jurisdictions, including England and Wales and Canada. He says he has tried to give a concise report of the work done in all these jurisdictions with little comment. This he has ably done and is to be commended for the manner in which the work was finished.

R.∴E.∴Sir Ralph T. Morgan, Cœur d'Alene, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir Lewis W. Ensign, Boise, Grand Recorder and chairman of the Committee on Correspondence.

The next annual conclave to be held at Idaho Falls, June 15 and 16, 1915.

INDIANA, 1915

The Sixty-first Annual Conclave, held in the city of Indianapolis, May 12, 1915.

Grand Commandery was opened in the asylum of Raper Commandery, No. 1, Masonic Temple, at 11 o'clock A.M., all the Grand Officers being present, sixteen Past Grand Commanders, and the representatives of thirty-one sister Grand Jurisdictions.

The first business after the report of appointment of committees was the reception of distinguished visitors, there having been announced as being in waiting distinguished fraters from other Grand Jurisdictions, as follows: M.∴E.∴Sir William B. Melish, Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States and personal representative of the Grand Master; V.∴E.∴Sir Leonidas P. Newby, Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Encampment, U. S. A., and R.∴E.∴Sir Nelson Williams, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Ohio, who were introduced and received a most cordial and knightly greeting by the Grand Commander.

The military evolutions were performed by Greenfield Commandery, No. 39, after which Grand Commandery was formally opened.

The address of Grand Commander Harry G. Strickland is a painstaking document, setting forth as it does a concise resumé of his doings during his incumbency.

He grants three dispensations for constitutional purposes and refuses one for a Commandery to ballot out of time. Under the head of "Decisions" he decides that a companion of the Red Cross may not have a dimit issued to him, and that a Commandery cannot give an entertainment in its asylum and the public be admitted where a fee is charged.

The Grand Treasurer reports total receipts for the fiscal year, with balance on hand, $16,979.75; disbursements, $8,796.32.

From the report of the Grand Recorder we find membership December 31, 1914, 7,984, a net increase for the year of 435.

Past Grand Master William B. Melish at the close of the morning session addressed the fraters present in his usual finished and happy manner.

The election of officers took place on the second day, resulting in the election of Sir Adrian Hamersly as Grand Commander and Sir Calvin W. Prather re-elected as Grand Recorder.

The Committee on Memorials rendered fitting tributes to the distinguished fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions, each memorial being printed in full in the Proceedings.

The usual Past Grand Commander's jewel was presented to the retiring Grand Commander.

The officers were installed by R.·.E.·.Sir Henry H. Lancaster, assisted by R.·.E.·.Sir Walter M. Hindman, after which Grand Commandery adjourned.

The report on Correspondence is the second review of E.·.Sir Robert A. Woods, and like the first is a finished ashlar. He reviews all the Grand Jurisdictions, with the exception of Virginia. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention of four pages. He has a kindly word to say for your correspondent. The review is worthy of perusal.

R.·.E.·.Sir Adrian Hamersly, Indianapolis, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir Calvin W. Prather, Indianapolis, Grand Recorder.

E.·.Sir Robert A. Woods, Princeton, Committee on Correspondence.

The next annual conclave to be held in Indianapolis, May 10, 1916.

Iowa, 1915

The Fifty-second Annual Conclave was held at Templar Park, Spirit Lake, July 13, 1915, commencing at ten o'clock in the morning. All the Grand Officers present.

The first business after the report of the Committee on Credentials was the reception of distinguished visitors.

V.·.E.·.Sir William L. Sharp, Grand Sword Bearer of the Grand Encampment of the United States and personal representative of the Acting Grand Master, was duly received and welcomed, as was also R.·.E.·.Sir Eugene C. Bonniwell, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Minnesota, who received a hearty welcome.

The Grand Commander, R.·.E.·.Sir Samuel J. Hall, delivered his annual address, and in opening he said, "Before proceeding with details let us stop and reflect upon the uncertainty of life and the immutable certainty of death," and paid fitting tribute to the departed fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

He granted few dispensations, all for constitutional purposes, and refused many more to ballot upon petitions out of time. He also reported that the Committee on Weak Commanderies had worked faithfully and consistently, and from their efforts the condition of the weak Commanderies was very much improved. In closing his address he pays fitting tribute to the faithful and valued assistance rendered him by the Grand Recorder and the Committee on Jurisprudence.

From the report of the Grand Recorder we find that the membership December 31, 1914, was 7,387, a net increase for the year of 371.

The Committee on Credentials report all the Grand Officers present, sixteen Past Grand Commanders, and the Grand Representatives of thirty-four sister Grand Jurisdictions. We are pleased to note among the number Sir Knight Wilber F. Fidlar, representing the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The conclave lasted through four days, during which time many distinguished visitors were received and welcomed.

On the third day the Committee on Necrology rendered an able report, paying high tribute to the departed fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions, the report occupying some eight pages of the Proceedings.

The election of officers also occurred on the third day, resulting in Sir Lewis H. Moore elected Grand Commander, Sir David M. Brownlee re-elected Grand Recorder.

On the fourth day the Committee on Finance made their report, stating receipts, with balance on hand, were $11,053.11; disbursements, $8,412.70.

There being no further business, after the installation of Grand Officers the conclave was adjourned.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is by Sir Charles C. Clark. The report, occupying 125 pages, opens with a Prologue, and like all others from the pen of this able frater is a finished ashlar. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention, three pages being devoted to the same.

R.·. E.·. Sir Lewis H. Moore, Des Moines, Grand Commander.

R.·. E.·. Sir David M. Brownlee, Sioux City, Grand Recorder.

E.·. Sir Charles C. Clark, Burlington, reappointed Committee on Correspondence.

The Fifty-third Annual Conclave to be held at Templar Park, Spirit Lake, commencing August 8, 1916.

Kansas, 1915

The Forty-sixth Annual Conclave, held in the city of Lawrence, May 11 and 12, 1915.

The first business after the opening was the reception of R.·. E.·. Sir J. Angus Gillis, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Oklahoma and the personal representative of the Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States, who was received under escort and cordially welcomed. Other distinguished fraters were present and made appropriate addresses.

All of the Grand Officers were present, nine Past Grand Commanders, and thirty Grand Representatives of sister Grand Commanderies. Our good and worthy Representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, R.·. E.·. Sir Edward W. Wellington, as usual, was at his post and responded.

The address of R.·. E.·. Sir Frederick Stearns, Grand Commander, contains much of local interest and briefly sets forth the transactions of his office during the year.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts, with balance on hand, $9,033.73; disbursements, $6,014.

The Grand Recorder's report ably sets forth the transactions of his office and shows membership March 31, 1915, 6,404, a net gain for the year of 170.

At the second day's session the Committee on Necrology, by E.·. Sir William J. Frazier, chairman, paid a splendid tribute to the departed fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions, and would space permit we should like to excerpt the whole of the report.

The Committee on Chartered Commanderies and Commanderies Under Dispensation report that as a whole there is such an improvement in the reports for the last year as to warrant some degree of satisfaction.

The election of Grand Officers resulted in the election of Sir William H. Martin as Grand Commander and Sir Albert K. Wilson re-elected as Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence is by E.·. Sir Matthew M. Miller, and is his fifth annual. He reports all of the Proceedings, with the exception of Virginia. The review is an able one. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives due attention.

R.·. E.·. Sir William H. Martin, Parsons, Grand Commander.

E.·. Sir Albert K. Wilson, Topeka, Grand Recorder.

E.·. Sir Matthew M. Miller, Topeka, Correspondent.

The next annual conclave to be held in the city of Wichita, on the 9th of May, 1916.

Kentucky, 1915

The Sixty-eighth Annual Conclave, held in the chapel of the Kentucky School of the Deaf, in the city of Danville, May 26, 1915.

Previous to the opening the Commanderies in attendance assembled at their respective headquarters and marched to the First Christian Church, where an address of welcome was delivered by Sir Henry G. Sandifer, of Ryan Commandery, No. 17, to which response was made.

At the conclusion of divine service the escort was formed and proceeded over a line of march through the principal streets of the city, the parade being interrupted by heavy rain which caused the Commanderies to break ranks and the Sir Knights to seek shelter.

Grand Commandery was opened in ample form, all the Grand Officers present.

The first business was the reception of V.·.E.·.Sir Leonidas P. Newby, Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Encampment and personal representative of the Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, who was received and welcomed.

The address of R.·.E.·.Sir Mason P. Brown, Grand Commander, follows, and comprehensively sets forth the transactions of his office during his incumbency. Under the head of "Necrology" he pays fitting tribute to the deceased fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

Among his decisions was one to Montgomery Commandery, No. 5, in answer to the question whether twenty-five days was sufficient notice to a frater in arrears to appear and show cause why he should not be suspended. His decision was as follows:

> "In reply to the question whether twenty-five days was sufficient notice to a frater in arrears to appear and show cause why he should not be suspended, will say that I consider this ample time, for if the frater summoned takes so little interest in his standing in the Commandery as to pay no attention to notice, no further consideration should be shown him. In reply to question No. 2 will say that I do not think a Sir Knight can be suspended except at the conclave to which he was summoned to appear, and in case the Commandery fails to take action, after notice had been sent to the delinquent, a new notice should be sent him to appear at some future conclave before action is taken."

R.·.E.·.Sir Bonniwell, like many other Grand Commanders, fully appreciates the worth and services of a faithful Grand Recorder, and in his "Conclusion" he expresses his opinion, highly commending E.·.Sir Alfred H. Bryant for the services rendered him during the year.

From the Grand Recorder's report we find that the membership March 31, 1915, was 5,033, a net gain for the year of 46.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts, with balance on hand, $9,274.40; disbursements, $4,463.45.

At the second day's session, calling the roll of Grand Representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions, twenty-six responded, Sir Lee D. Ray, Grand Representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, being among the number. The R.·.E.·.Grand Commander extended knightly greetings to each of the Grand Representatives present, extending kindest regards and best wishes of the Grand Commandery, as well as his personal felicitations for their continued success and prosperity to the Grand Jurisdictions they represented.

At the election of officers Sir Charles N. Smith was elected Grand Commander, Sir Alfred M. Bryant re-elected Grand Recorder.

The Committee on Grievance submitted the following report, which was adopted:

> "In the failure of Recorders of many of the Commanderies to make prompt returns on General Orders and other communications from the Grand Officers requiring replies, your committee finds this to be a serious grievance and recommend that in the future a fine of five ($5.00) dollars be assessed against each Commandery for such failure.
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> "We also wish to call the attention of all delinquent Constituent Commanderies and Sir Knights to their failure to make prompt acknowledgment to the Grand Recorder of the receipt of the Annual Proceedings of this Grand Commandery and urge them to be prompt in this courtesy to the Grand Recorder."

After the adjournment of Grand Commandery, public installation services were held in the Centenary Methodist Church, in the presence of a large congregation, V.·.E.·.Sir Frank H. Johnson, Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment, officiating.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence occupies 106 pages and is by E.·.Sir W. W. Clarke, and like all others that have emanated from his versatile pen is an able and splendid review of the transactions of the various jurisdictions that came to hand. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention with two and one half pages and he heartily commends our "Foreword" in the review of 1914.

R.·.E.·.Sir Charles B. Smith, Danville, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir Alfred H. Bryant, Covington, Grand Recorder.

E.·.Sir William W. Clarke, Owensboro, Committee on Correspondence.

The Sixty-ninth Annual Conclave to be held in the city of Frankfort, May 17, 1914.

LOUISIANA, 1915

The Forty-second Annual Conclave, held in New Orleans, April 12, 1915.

All the Grand Officers present, with the exception of the Grand Warder and Grand Captain of the Guard; four Past Grand Commanders, the representatives of the constituent Commanderies, and fourteen Grand Representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions, Massachusetts and Rhode Island not being represented.

Grand Commander R. N. Ross presented a brief address. Among his official acts was the granting of a dispensation for a new Commandery at New Iberia, to be known as Calvary Commandery, U.D.

He granted only two dispensations: one for public installation and the other for election and installation of officers. He made no decisions.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows receipts, with balance on hand, $4,196.16; disbursements, $1,841.45.

The report of the Grand Recorder shows number of members now on the roll, 1,108, a gain for the year of 81.

The Committee on Necrology reported a list of an unusual number of distinguished fraters who had answered the last call during the year.

Resolution was adopted that the fee for dispensation and charter for new Commandery be one hundred dollars, and that the Grand Recorder should receive ten dollars from same for his fee, and that he should also receive two dollars each for signing, affixing seal, and certifying to each diploma issued.

The election of officers resulted in the election of Sir H. F. Grimm as Grand Commander and our good friend Sir Richard Lambert re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence is by Sir Herman C. Duncan, Past Grand Commander, and occupies forty-one pages of the Proceedings. The report, although concise in form, conveys all the information that one could desire relative to sister Grand Jurisdictions. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention. Commenting upon Grand Commander Johnson's instructions to inspecting officers he says: "It seems to us that the members of a Commandery to be inspected, even Past Grand Commanders, with the exception of those who are officers of the Grand Commandery, should not be excepted from inspection. According to Masonic principles, a past officer carries back to the ranks with him his title only, and resumes the responsibilities of active service, and is therefore as subject to inspection as any other member," in all of which we heartily agree.

R.∴E.∴Sir H. F. Grimm, New Orleans, Grand Commander.

R.∴E.∴Sir Richard Lambert, New Orleans, Grand Recorder.

The next annual conclave will be held in the city of Shreveport, on the second Monday after Easter Sunday, 1916.

MAINE, 1914

The Sixty-third Annual Conclave, held in the city of Portland, May 7, 1914.

All the Grand Officers present, with the exception of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Sword Bearer; fifty-six representatives of the twenty-three Commanderies, twelve of the twenty Past Grand Commanders, and twenty-seven of the forty-two Grand Representatives.

The first business after the opening was the reception of R.∴E.∴Sir Freeman C. Hersey, inspecting officer, representing the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, who was received with due ceremonial. He was accompanied by V.∴E.∴Sir Frederick F. Thayer, Grand Standard Bearer of the Grand Encampment, and V.∴E.∴Sir Walter F. Medding, Deputy Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, who acted as Grand Warder. These distinguished fraters were received and duly welcomed.

Among the representatives of sister Grand Commanderies we find our good and tried friend representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, R.∴E.∴Sir John W. Ballou.

Following the appointment of Standing Committees, Grand Commander Charles W. Jones delivered his annual address. Like many others he makes due mention of the distinguished fraters who had departed during the year.

His dispensations were few and all for constitutional purposes. The address also contains the reports of the inspecting officers.

From the Grand Recorder's report we find the membership April 1, 1914, 5,609, a net gain for the year of 53.

The election of officers resulted in Sir Ralph W. Crockett, Grand Commander, Sir Stephen Berry re-elected Grand Recorder.

The Sir Knights of Sanford and Waterbury, who petitioned for dispensation for a Commandery, were, upon recommendation of the committee, given leave to withdraw their petition.

R.·.E.·. Sir Hersey and V.·.E.·.Sir Walter F. Medding addressed Grand Commandery and the remarks of R.·.E.·.Sir Hersey are printed in the Proceedings.

The officers elected and appointed were installed into their offices by R.·.E.·.Sir Freeman C. Hersey, assisted by V.·.E.·. Sir Walter F. Medding acting as Grand Marshal.

The report on Correspondence is by that distinguished and able frater, Stephen Berry, and occupies sixty-five pages of the Proceedings. It is needless to say that like all others that have preceded it the report is full and complete in every particular, giving as it does a thorough resumé of the doings of the officers of the Grand Commanderies throughout the United States.

Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention with a page and a half. He says that your correspondent is "strong on statistics, but gives them in his report as Grand Recorder."

R.·.E.·.Sir Ralph W. Crockett, Lewiston, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir Stephen Berry, Portland, Grand Recorder and Correspondent.

The Sixty-fourth Annual Conclave to be held in Portland, May 6, 1915.

Maryland, 1915

The Fifty-fifth Annual Conclave, held in the city of Cumberland, May 4, 1915.

All the Grand Officers present and the representatives of twenty-two sister Grand Jurisdictions, but we fail to find among the number the representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The first business after opening was the reception of R.·.E.·. Sir Peter McGill, personal representative of the Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States, who was escorted into the asylum and cordially welcomed.

The first business was the address of the Acting Grand Commander. He stated it became his duty, as far as possible, to give a brief summary of the official acts of the late Grand Commander during his incumbency of the office, and from the reading of his address it is evident that he not only briefly summarized his acts, but gave a thorough and complete record of the same.

In closing he gives our good friend and frater, John H. Miller, Grand Recorder, a word of praise for his invaluable services.

From the Grand Treasurer's report we find that the receipts, with balance on hand, were $5,893.53; expenditures, $2,463.36.

The Grand Recorder's report shows membership 2,234, a net gain for the year of 21.

The Committee on Grievances reported nothing had been submitted to them for their consideration, and peace and harmony seemed to prevail.

This appears to be the usual report of nearly all the Grand Jurisdictions.

Grand Commandery then adjourned until 7 o'clock P.M., and all present repaired to the banquet hall and partook of an excellent dinner.

EVENING SESSION

The twenty-two representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions recorded as being present were received and heartily welcomed by the Acting Grand Commander.

At the election of Grand Officers, Sir Robert D. Grier was elected Grand Commander, Sir John H. Miller re-elected Grand Recorder.

After the installation of officers, there being no further business, the Grand Commandery adjourned.

The report on Correspondence is by E.·.Sir John H. Miller, who presents his sixteenth report, which occupies eighty pages of the Proceedings. Like all others that emanate from Sir John's pen, it is a courteous and thorough review. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention, with four and one half pages. He compliments your correspondent upon the securing of accommodations for 1914 at the Triennial of the Grand Encampment at Los Angeles, and has a kindly word to say for your correspondent in his report.

R.·.E.·.Sir Robert D. Grier, Salisbury, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir John H. Miller, Baltimore, Grand Recorder and Correspondent.

The next annual conclave to be held in the city of Baltimore, May 2, 1916.

MICHIGAN, 1915

The volume, like all others that emanate from the office of Sir George T. Campbell, is of high standard. It opens with halftone portraits of the officers for 1914–15. A Prologue precedes the record of the conclave, and contains a splendid likeness of that esteemed frater, V.·.E.·.Sir Leonidas P. Newby, Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Encampment.

The Fifty-ninth Annual Conclave, held in the city of Houghton, June 8, 1915.

Grand Commandery convened in the asylum of Palestine Commandery, No. 48, at 10 o'clock A.M., all the Grand Officers being present.

It being announced that M.·.E.·.Sir Lee S. Smith, Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States, and V.·.E.·.Sir Leonidas P. Newby, Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Encampment, were present in an anteroom, the Grand Commander directed the Grand Generalissimo to retire and introduce the distinguished fraters, when they were welcomed by the Grand Commander in a well-chosen and complimentary address, to which the distinguished fraters responded.

Following the appointment of committees the Grand Commander delivered his address. He pays due respect to the honored memory of the departed fraters of the jurisdiction.

His decisions were many, but in accordance with constitutional law. Like many other Grand Jurisdictions, he calls attention to lost rituals. It seems to us that some stringent measures should be laid down to see that rituals are safely cared for. He also calls attention to unauthorized "Keys," purporting to be correct rituals, which were offered for sale in that jurisdiction during the year. We agree with him that the use of unauthorized "Keys" cannot be too strongly condemned.

He recommends the adoption of a uniform oblong card that can readily be placed in an ordinary card case, for receipt of dues for the current year, which we consider a good practice.

The Grand Recorder's report shows membership 9,309, a net gain for the year of 179.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts, with balance on hand, $24,325.80; disbursements, $12,707.40.

Petition to establish a new Commandery at Mt. Clemens, to be known as Mt. Clemens Commandery, was presented to the Committee on Dispensations and Charters, who recommended that a charter be granted to the petitioners to form Mt. Clemens Commandery, No. 51, and the report was adopted, with the supplemental report that the charter shall not be issued until each petitioner procures a complete uniform, as required by the Templar laws of the State.

The report of the Committee on Necrology, by E.·.Sir and Rev. Emil Montanus, chairman, is an elaborate and painstaking document, comprising faithful tributes to the departed fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions. Our own departed fraters, R.·.E.·.Sir Nelson W. Aldrich and R.·.E.·.Sir Charles C. Hutchinson, receive due tribute.

The election of officers was then held, resulting in the election of Sir George L. Harvey as Grand Commander and the re-election of Sir George T. Campbell as Grand Recorder.

The officers-elect were then installed by M.·.E.·.Sir Lee S. Smith, Acting Grand Master, and V.·.E.·.Sir Leonidas P. Newby.

The report on Correspondence, covering 172 pages, is by R.·.E.·.Sir William G. Doty, who most ably reviews all of the

Grand Jurisdictions. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives four and one half pages. The report is well written and of high standard of excellence.

R.·.E.·.Sir George L. Harvey, Port Huron, Grand Commander.

R.·.E.·.Sir George T. Campbell, Owosso, Grand Recorder.

R.·.E.·.Sir William G. Doty, Ann Arbor, Correspondent.

The Sixtieth Annual Conclave will be held in Detroit, June 6, 1916.

MINNESOTA, 1915

The volume, like all others that emanate from the office of Sir Knight Fishel, is fully up to standard.

The Fiftieth Annual Conclave of Grand Commandery, held in the city of Minneapolis, May 18, 19, 1915.

Previous to the opening of Grand Commandery an escort composed of members of three Minneapolis Commanderies, Damascus Commandery, No. 1, of St. Paul, and other Commanderies, headed by a band, met the special train from Southern Minnesota, and marched from the depot to the hotel some three hundred swords, escorting from there to the Masonic Temple the Grand Officers and distinguished visitors.

The conclave was opened in Masonic Temple at 10.45 o'clock in the morning, all the Grand Officers present.

The lines having been formed, R.·.E.·.Sir David M. Brownlee, Past Grand Commander of Iowa and the representative of the Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, was duly received. V.·.E.·.Sir Jehiel W. Chamberlin, Grand Captain-General of the Grand Encampment, William L. Sharp, Grand Sword Bearer of the Grand Encampment, and R.·.E.·.Sir Knights Nelson Williams, Grand Commander of Ohio, Alexander Grant, Past Grand Commander of the District of Columbia, John W. Carroll, Past Grand Commander of North Dakota, Samuel J. Hall, Grand Commander of Iowa, and other distinguished fraters, were officially received and welcomed.

Upon calling the roll, representatives of twenty-eight of the thirty-one Commanderies were found to be present, fourteen Past Grand Commanders and the Grand Representatives of thirty sister Grand Jurisdictions, the representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island not being among the number.

Following the appointment of committees, Grand Commander John M. Rowley submitted his annual address, which is an able and complete resumé of the transactions of his office during his incumbency, containing much of importance to the fraters of his own jurisdiction.

In his "Conclusion" he pays a courteous tribute to Grand Recorder Fishel, and no doubt our good friend John deserved it, as we know he is a faithful and tried officer.

From the report of the Grand Treasurer we find receipts, with balance on hand, $14,602.23; disbursements, $11,292.93.

The Grand Recorder reported the present membership, 4,717, a net gain for the year of 115.

Among the events of the conclave was the delivering of an historical address by Past Grand Commander Trevanion W. Hugo, which must have been from the reading of the same of great interest and instruction to the fraters who were present. It is an able document, setting forth a true history of the Grand Commandery of the State of Minnesota. At the conclusion of the reading of the address a rising vote of thanks was tendered R.·.E.·.Sir Hugo for his able address.

From the report of the Committee on Appeals and Grievances we find nothing had been referred to them for their consideration.

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations made the same report.

At the election of Grand Officers, Sir Knight Eugene C. Bonniwell was elected Grand Commander, Sir Knight John Fishel re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence is by Sir John Fishel, occupying seventy-two pages. In his opening he says, "We have endeavored to give you a general idea of Templar affairs in the various Grand Jurisdictions. We trust you will read it with interest, if not with profit." From the reading of his report he may be well satisfied that he has accomplished his purpose. Massachusetts and Rhode Island as usual receives courteous attention at the hands of our good friend Fishel, and we thank him for his comment that our review is an able resumé of the Proceedings of forty-four Grand Jurisdictions.

R.·.E.·.Sir Eugene C. Bonniwell, Minneapolis, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir John Fishel, St. Paul, Grand Recorder and Correspondent.

The Fifty-first Annual Conclave to be held at St. Paul, May 17 and 18, 1916.

Mississippi, 1915.

The Fifty-eighth Annual Conclave, held at Natchez, May 4–5, 1915.

The opening exercises were held at Baker-Grand Theater at nine o'clock in the morning, consisting of a series of exercises appropriate to the occasion, the Grand Commandery assembling at the Natchez Hotel at nine o'clock, where the lines were formed under escort of Cyrene Commandery, No. 9, and marching to the Baker-Grand Theater. Grand Commandery was formally welcomed by R.·.E.·.Sir William G. Benbrook, mayor of the city. At the close of the exercises the lines were again formed and all present marched to Trinity Church, where devotional exercises were held under the direction of the Grand Prelate, after which Grand Commandery convened in the Lodge Room of the Order of Elks of the city of Natchez, at 11.30 in the morning, all the Grand Officers being present, with the exception of the Grand Standard Bearer. There were also present twelve Past Grand Commanders, one Honorary Past Grand Commander, and the representatives of the constituent Commanderies.

The address of R.·.E.·.Sir Louis A. Benoist, Grand Commander, is an able document, fully setting forth the transactions of his office during the year. He pays fitting tribute to the honored dead of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions. He reports that he officially visited thirty-two of the Commanderies of the jurisdiction.

Under the head of "Where Should the Malta Jewel be Worn?" he says:

> "In the ritual the postulant is directed to wear the jewel on his breast, near his heart, and never to desert it or lay it aside.

> "No Knight of Malta would deliberately and with malice aforethought violate these instructions. The position of the jewel, as seen on the coats in the portraits of Grand Commanders, and as worn by many Knights, is evidently due to the anatomical structure of these Knights. Displaced hearts, supernumerary organs and muscles, are not unknown to medical science. Hence, when we see the jewel worn on the neck, near Adam's apple, these Knights are following out their anatomical make-up rather than violating the instructions. The heart frequently gets up in the neck or throat, especially during excitement. I would therefore not be harsh in my criticism, as it is possible that these Knights may have innocently taken their thyroid glands for the heart. The frequency with which the jewel is worn over the strenoclavicular articulation would suggest the reference of the malposition of these parts to some reputable anatomical society."

His dispensations were few and all for constitutional purposes.

From the Grand Treasurer's report we find that receipts were $7,570.52; expenditures, $4,376.32, leaving a balance of $3,294.20.

The Grand Commander reports the number of Commanderies, 28; membership, 2,226, a net increase of 15.

At the election of officers Willard H. Seavey was elected Grand Commander, Oliver L. McKay re-elected Grand Recorder.

On the second day of the session the first business was the reception of the special representative of the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, R.·.E.·.Sir Teague, of Montgomery, Ala., who received a cordial welcome, to which he made appropriate response.

On calling the roll of Past Grand Representatives, those who responded, twenty-one in number, were given a cordial greeting by the Grand Commander and requested to convey to their respective jurisdictions the courteous regard and good will of the Grand Jurisdiction of Mississippi. Among those present we do not find the Sir Knight representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The report on Correspondence is by George B. Power, Past Commander, and occupies sixty-two pages of the Proceedings, but we fail to find report on Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

We cannot understand how Sir George missed our Proceedings, as they were sent to all Grand Recorders on the first day of November, 1914.

Sir Power writes a good report, using the paste pot and the scissors freely, and concisely conveys the information contained in the various reports in a readable and kindly manner.

R.·.E.·.Sir Willard H. Seavey, Brookhaven, Grand Commander.

R.·.E.·.Sir Oliver L. McKay, Meridian, Grand Recorder.

E.·.Sir George B. Power, Jackson, reappointed fraternal Correspondent.

The next annual conclave to be held in the city of Brookhaven, May, 1916, on dates to be named by the Grand Commander.

Missouri, 1915

The Fifty-fourth Annual Conclave, held at Kansas City, May 25 and 26, 1915.

All the Grand Officers present. The first business was the reception of distinguished visitors, among whom were R.·.E.·. Sir Winfield T. Durbin, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Indiana and personal representative of the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States, who was received with appropriate honors and ceremonies.

R.·.E.·.Sir Isaac H. Hettinger, Grand Commander, then delivered his annual address, giving a complete resumé of the transactions of his office during the year.

His dispensations were few and all for constitutional purposes. His visitations were many and a concise record of same is contained in the address.

Among his decisions was one that a Commandery could collect dues from a member who had dimitted to join another Commandery should the Commandery receiving the dimit fail to notify the former Commandery of the applicant's election.

He was requested to decide as to the regularity of the charter of a Commandery, the Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter having arrested the charter of the Chapter to which the members of the Commandery belonged, and he ruled that, until the Grand Chapter had finally passed upon the status of the arrest of the charter, the membership in the Commandery would be in good standing, and remain so, until six months following the decision of the Grand Chapter, providing the charter had not been restored.

Referring to a request for permission to accept petitions and confer the Order without the full amount of the fee being paid in advance, he held that petitions could not be received and the Orders conferred unless the full amount of the fee was paid in advance, and referred them to Section 88, Laws and Regulations of the Grand Commandery, which forbids the same.

It seems that this jurisdiction, like all others, has more or less trouble with lost rituals, and recommends that the officers of Commanderies should be particularly impressed with the necessity of keeping proper record of transfer of the rituals belonging to their respective Commanderies.

The balance of the address is filled with general orders of much interest to their jurisdiction.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts, with balance on hand, $25,200.93; disbursements, $10,473.37.

The Grand Recorder reports the total membership December 31, 1914, 7,137, a net gain for the year of 129. The number of chartered Commanderies, 61.

The first day's business being concluded Grand Commandery adjourned until Wednesday, May 16th, at nine o'clock in the forenoon.

SECOND DAY

The Committee on Necrology made their report, which pays fitting tribute to the departed fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

The Committee on Credentials reported that there were present all the Grand Officers, thirteen Past Grand Commanders, and the representatives of thirty-eight sister Grand Jurisdictions, E.·.Sir John R. Parson, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, being among the number.

The election of officers being held, V.·.E.·.Sir Ernest Fowkes was elected Grand Commander, E.·.Sir Robert F. Stevenson re-elected Grand Recorder.

Following the installation of officers the customary jewel of a Past Grand Commander was presented to R.·. E.·. Sir Hettinger.

The report on Correspondence is by R.·. E.·. Sir William F. Kuhn, and occupies 145 pages of the Proceedings. He reviews all of the Grand Jurisdictions under the Grand Encampment, also Canada, England, and Wales.

Before he commences his review he very elaborately sets forth his opinion relative to the Council degrees, also the use of the words "Right," "Very," "Most," as found in Masonic nomenclature, and other matters, which make interesting reading. Many of the matters set forth in this part of the Correspondence met with the views of your correspondent; many others do not.

The review of the Grand Jurisdictions by this distinguished frater is a very elaborate one, containing many criticisms and comments, all of which are of a kindly nature and make good reading. To Massachusetts and Rhode Island he devotes two pages. Relative to his remarks about the report of our Committee on Credentials, we find that his opinion does not meet with the approval of the members of this Grand Jurisdiction, so that the committee will have to discontinue that form.

R.·. E.·. Sir Ernest Fowkes, Hannibal, Grand Commander.
E.·. Sir Robert F. Stevenson, St. Louis, Grand Recorder.
R.·. E.·. Sir William F. Kuhn, Kansas City, Correspondent.

The Fifty-fifth Annual Conclave to be held in Hannibal, May 23 and 24, 1916.

MONTANA, 1914

The Twenty-seventh Annual Conclave, held in the city of Missoula, June 24–25, 1914.

The volume opens with a photogravure of Emory H. Payne, Grand Commander, 1913–1914, and from his portrait we should say he was a man of action and determined effort.

The Grand Commandery was opened in the asylum of St. Omer Commandery, No. 21, at 9.35 A.M., and continued throughout the 24th and 25th of June. The record states that there were more than eighty Sir Knights present at the opening.

It having been announced that the representative of the Grand Master, R.·. E.·. Sir Sylvester J. Hill, was in waiting, all the Past Grand Commanders present were appointed as a committee to retire and introduce him into the asylum, when he was duly presented and welcomed by the Grand Commander.

All of the Grand Officers were present, seven Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of the constituent Commanderies. There were also reported as being present nineteen Grand Representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions, R.·. E.·. Sir Joseph J. Hindson, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, being among the number.

From the address of the Grand Commander we learn that peace and harmony prevail throughout the Grand Jurisdiction, and that the ranks of the Grand Officers were unbroken. The address contains a recommendation that the design for the jewel to be presented to Past Grand Commanders be changed to conform to the Grand Encampment law. He also recommended that the brass button used in that Grand Jurisdiction be done away with and that a black button for uniforms be adopted.

The dispensations of the Grand Commander were all for constitutional purposes.

The volume also contains reports of the various Grand Officers, from the Deputy Grand Commander to the Grand Junior Warden.

The Grand Recorder's report shows that in the fourteen Commanderies of the jurisdiction there are 1,307 members, a gain for the year of 88.

From the report of the Grand Treasurer we find that in the General Fund they had a balance of $3,026.65, and in the Triennial Fund $574.45, making a total of $3,601.10.

The Committee on Correspondence, for various reasons assigned, reported they could not recommend the expenditure of the funds necessary to print the report and advised that the printing of the report for the year be discontinued.

The election of officers resulted in the election of John H. Hall, Grand Commander, and the re-election of Cornelius Hedges, Jr., as Grand Recorder.

The committee appointed for that purpose recommended that the black buttons be substituted for brass and that the Statutes of Grand Commandery be amended that wherever the words "gold plate" are used the words "round black lasting" be inserted.

The Committee on Necrology rendered a report in which due respect is paid the deceased fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

Among the pleasing incidents was the presentation of shoulder straps to the retiring Grand Commander, and also a jewel to R.·. E.·. Sir Emory H. Payne by St. Omer Commandery.

No report on Correspondence.

R.·. E.·. Sir John H. Hall, Helena, Grand Commander.

E.·. Sir Cornelius Hedges, Jr., Helena, Grand Recorder.

The Twenty-eighth Annual Conclave will be held in the city of Lewiston, in June, 1915, the date to be set by the Grand Commander.

NEBRASKA, 1915

The Forty-third Annual Conclave held in the asylum of Mt. Calvary Commandery, No. 1, Omaha, April 15, 1915.

The volume opens with a splendid Bather portrait of R.·. E.·. Sir Will A. Needham.

Preliminary to the opening of the conclave the members of Grand Commandery and officers and members of Mt. Calvary Commandery, No. 1, of Omaha, assembled in Masonic Temple, in full uniform, and marched to the Hotel Fontenelle, where they met R.·. E.·. Sir Hutson B. Colman, representative of V.·. E.·. Sir Lee S. Smith, Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, K. T., V.·. E.·. Sir George Willetts, Jr., Acting Grand Commander, and other officers of the Grand Commandery, and escorted them to the asylum of Mt. Calvary Commandery, where the Grand Commandery was duly convened.

All the Grand Officers present, with the exception of the Grand Commander, Grand Prelate, and Grand Warder; the representatives of twenty-one of the twenty-nine Commanderies.

Immediately after the opening R.·. E.·. Sir Hutson B. Colman was escorted into the asylum, where he received a most hearty welcome.

After the appointment of committees the address of Grand Commander Will A. Needham was read by the Grand Recorder. He reported that no requests for decisions had been received during the year, which shows that the officers of the Commanderies of that jurisdiction are well versed in the law. His dispensations were few and all for constitutional purposes.

Among his recommendations was one that the State be divided into districts, and that there be assigned to each Grand Officer a certain number of Commanderies to visit during the coming year. (If that is done he may rest assured it will produce an immense amount of enthusiasm and good among the various Commanderies, as that is the custom in this old jurisdiction of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.)

In his Conclusion he regrets that circumstances prevented his being present to participate in the business and pleasures of the conclave, and pays a fitting tribute to our good friend and frater Sir Francis E. White, Grand Recorder.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts, with balance on hand, $7,872.17; disbursements, $2,564.32.

The report of Grand Recorder White shows a membership February 28, 1915, of 2,828, a net gain for the year of 100.

At the conclusion of the first day's session a banquet was enjoyed and a reception and ball held in the Hotel Fontenelle.

The second day's session was taken up with routine matters of much interest to the members of that jurisdiction.

At the election of officers Sir George Willetts, Jr., was elected Grand Commander, Sir Francis E. White re-elected Grand Recorder.

Sir Frank H. Young, Grand Generalissimo, presented a table showing the attendance of members for twenty times or more at the annual conclaves of the Grand Commandery, and we note R.·. E.·. Sir Francis E. White had been present at thirty-seven; R.·. E.·. Sir Eben K. Long, Past Grand Commander and representative of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, at twenty-seven of the conclaves, and others from twenty-six to twenty.

We also find that the recommendation of the Grand Commander to have the Grand Jurisdiction divided into districts was approved.

The report on Correspondence is by R∴E∴Sir Francis E. White, for the committee, and occupies ninety pages of the Proceedings. Like all others that our good friend and frater White has given to the fraternity, it is a full and complete report of the doings of sister Grand Jurisdictions. He quotes freely and passes his own opinion upon the questions and acts of other Grand Jurisdictions, but all is done in his usual pleasant and agreeable manner. It is a valuable production.

Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention of two pages. He calls our review "one of the best that comes to his table," which praise is a little too much flattery, as your correspondent is well aware of his many shortcomings. However, we "doff our hat" to Frater White, as we know he has a kindly consideration for us, and would not say anything about us not pleasant and agreeable.

R∴E∴Sir George Willetts, Jr., McCook, Grand Commander.

R∴E∴Sir Francis E. White, Omaha, Grand Recorder and chairman of the Committee on Correspondence.

The next annual conclave will be held in the city of Columbus, May 11, 1916.

New Hampshire, 1914

The Sixty-seventh Annual Conclave, held in the asylum of Mount Horeb Commandery, in the city of Concord, September 29, 1914.

The volume opens with a splendid half-tone portrait of our good friend Arthur Stanley Bunton.

At the opening of Grand Commandery all the Grand Officers were present, thirteen Past Grand Commanders and the Grand Representatives of twenty-nine sister Grand Jurisdictions, among whom was E∴Sir Charles S. Parker, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Previous to the formal opening of Grand Commandery a Commandery of Knights Templar was opened in full form, with inspection and review, by Mount Horeb Commandery, of Concord, after which Grand Commandery was opened in ample form.

The first business was the reception of Most Eminent Sir Arthur MacArthur, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar, of the United States, who was duly introduced and cordially welcomed by the Grand Commander.

After the appointment of Standing Committees, Grand Commander A. Melvin Foss delivered his annual address. He reports that only one Commandery in the jurisdiction had failed to open the Commandery in full form, with inspection and review. His dispensations were all for constitutional purposes. His decisions were also in compliance with constitutional law.

His address was brief, but contains all the information necessary to place before Grand Commandery the doings of his office during his incumbency.

Memorials were read for V∴E∴Sir John A. Gerow, Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment, V∴E∴Sir John M. Worrall, Past Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment of the United States, and are printed in the records.

That the jurisdiction is in excellent condition is evidenced by the report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, who report that no matter had been presented to them for consideration.

The Grand Recorder presented the number of members in 1914 as 2,783, an increase for the year of 48.

The Grand Treasurer reports cash on hand, with receipts, $3,978.60; balance after expenditures, $2,577.35.

Memorials were read to the departed fraters of their own and other Grand Jurisdictions and are printed in full in the Proceedings.

The election of Grand Officers resulted in the election of Arthur S. Bunton, Grand Commander, Harry M. Cheney re-elected Grand Recorder.

The installation of officers then followed, the officers being installed by M∴E∴Sir Arthur MacArthur, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, R∴E∴Sir A. Melvin Foss acting as marshal.

Before the adjournment of Grand Commandery, M∴E∴Sir Arthur MacArthur, in behalf of the Grand Commandery, presented to R∴E∴Sir A. Melvin Foss a Past Grand Commander's jewel.

The report on Correspondence occupies eighty-five pages of the Proceedings and is by E.·.Sir Harry M. Cheney. Like others that have preceded it, the report is excellent and makes good reading. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention.

R.·.E.·.Sir Arthur S. Bunton, Manchester, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir Harry M. Cheney, Concord, Grand Recorder and chairman of the Committee on Correspondence.

The Sixty-eighth Annual Conclave to be held at Concord, Tuesday, September 28, 1915.

New Jersey, 1915

The Fifty-fifth Annual Conclave, held at Trenton, May 11, 1915.

Grand Commandery convened at ten o'clock in the morning, all the Grand Officers present and the representatives of twenty-six sister Grand Jurisdictions. We do not, however, find the Sir Knight representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island among the number. (By the way, this is getting to be a common practice of many of the Grand Representatives of our great jurisdiction to fail to attend the conclaves of their home Grand Bodies.)

The first business after the opening was the reception of distinguished visitors, among whom was R.·.E.·.Sir John H. Bonnington, Past Grand Commander and Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of New York, who was received and welcomed. Other distinguished visitors were E.·.Sir Robert A. Meeker, Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of New Jersey, and E.·.Sir George A. Wack, Past Commander of Manhattan Commandery, No. 31, of New York City, and E.·.Sir Arthur Barr, the Commander of the same Commandery.

Following the reception of these distinguished visitors the Grand Commander delivered his address. His first remark was, "Today I attain my majority as a member of this Grand Commandery. Twenty-one years ago I became a member of it as the Captain-General of my Commandery, and, with two exceptions, when I was prevented by illness, I have since attended all of its conclaves." (Well done, good and faithful servant!)

His address is an able document, setting forth a thorough record of the transactions of his office during his incumbency. Dispensations were all for constitutional purposes and decisions were also in accordance with law.

In his Conclusion he says that in relinquishing office he trusts that his active interest will not languish, but that with advancing years he may be privileged to return year after year to renew those friendships that have been his while a member, and to form new ones.

The Grand Treasurer shows receipts, with balance on hand, $5,617.47; disbursements, $2,643.32.

The Grand Recorder's report shows present membership 3,506, a net gain for the year of 55.

Among the resolutions adopted was one that all of the Commanderies of the jurisdiction must open each conclave with the rehearsal of duties. Resolution was also adopted that, upon receiving an application for waiver of jurisdiction, an investigating committee shall be appointed, who shall investigate the character and fitness of the petitioner to become a Knight Templar, and shall make their report at the next or some succeeding stated conclave of the Commandery.

At the election of officers Sir William P. Hayes was elected Grand Commander, Sir John M. Wright re-elected Grand Recorder.

The officers-elect were then installed by the retiring Grand Commander, after which Grand Commandery adjourned.

The report on Correspondence is by E.·.Sir Peter McGill, who ably reviews all of the Grand Jurisdictions. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives four and one half pages of kindly review.

R.·.E.·.Sir William P. Hayes, Trenton, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir John M. Wright, Trenton, Grand Recorder.

E.·.Sir Peter McGill, reappointed Correspondent.

The Fifty-sixth Annual Conclave to be held May 9, 1916.

New Mexico, 1914

The Fourteenth Annual Conclave, held in the city of Albuquerque, October 23, 1914.

All the Grand Officers present.

The first business after the opening was the reception of R.·. E.·. Sir Nelson C. Bledsoe, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Arizona and representative of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, who was received and cordially welcomed.

From the report of the Committee on Credentials there were found to be present four Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of all the constituent Commanderies.

Grand Commander Abram N. Pratt delivered an able address, in which he says:

> "Having enlisted under the banner of the Cross shall we lose faith in its great mission? I wish to show my appreciation of our last past Grand Commander for the following quotation issued as a general order from the headquarters of the New Mexico Military Institute for the observance of proclamation of the President of the United States for a day of prayer that peace might return to the stricken nations of the world.

The following is an extract from an article published in the *Outlook* of September 16, 1914:

> " 'For what shall we pray?
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> " 'In the time of William of Orange, those prayed well who prayed for religious liberty — the right of every man to worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience.
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> " 'In the time of the American Revolution, those prayed well who prayed that the Colonies might be emancipated and that a new nation might be born, "Conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal."
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> " 'In the Civil War, those prayed well who prayed that the slave might be emancipated and the Union preserved on the basis of justice and liberty.
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> " 'Today those will pray well who pray that military despotism may be destroyed, the reign of the sword may be ended, and the reign of the conscience and the reason may begin.

> " 'Righteousness and judgment are said by a Hebrew poet to be the habitation of God's throne. Enduring peace — the peace of God — can dwell in righteousness and judgment.' "

He then proceeded to read a list of the deceased fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions. He reported the granting of a dispensation for the formation of a new Commandery to be located at Gallup, to be called Baldwyn Commandery.

The Grand Treasurer reported receipts, with balance on hand, $1,213.56; disbursements, $495.16. Grand Commandery also has a Triennial Fund of $631, and a Masonic Home Fund of $1,593.26, making a total of $2,720.31.

The Grand Recorder reported the number of members August 31, 1914, 708, a net gain for the year of 41.

Sir Lewis H. Chamberlin was elected Grand Commander and Sir Alpheus A. Keen re-elected Grand Recorder.

After the installation of officers a Past Grand Commander's jewel was presented to the retiring Grand Commander.

No report on Correspondence.

R.·. E.·. Sir Lewis H. Chamberlin, Albuquerque, Grand Commander.

E.·. Sir Alpheus A. Keen, Albuquerque, Grand Recorder.

The Fifteenth Annual Conclave will be held in the city of Albuquerque, Friday, October 15, 1915.

North Dakota, 1915

The Grand Commandery was opened in Bismarck, in Twenty-sixth Annual Conclave (it being the twenty-fifth anniversary) April 20, 1915.

Preliminary to the opening of the Grand Commandery the officers and members assembled at the headquarters at Hotel McKenzie, where Tancred Commandery, No. 1, with about a dozen Sir Knights from Cœur de Lion Commandery, U.D., acting as escort, took up the line of march to the Masonic Temple, where the Grand Commandery was formally opened. All the Grand Officers present.

The first business after the opening was the reception of distinguished Templars, among whom was V.·. E.·. Sir William H.

Norris, Grand Junior Warden of the Grand Encampment of the United States, who was presented and greeted by the Grand Commander, after which R.·.E.·.Sir Carroll J. Atkins, Past Grand Commander of Missouri, also V.·.E.·.Sir Wilbert D. Swain, Deputy Grand Commander of South Dakota, were received and cordially welcomed.

The Committee on Credentials announced that there were in attendance twenty-three Grand Representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions, but we fail to find among them the representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Following the usual custom, after the appointment of committees, R.·.E.·.Sir John W. Carroll, Grand Commander, delivered his annual address, in which he reports the constitution of C. J. Atkins Commandery, No. 14. He also states he had granted a dispensation to fifteen Sir Knights for a Commandery to be located in the city of Mandan, to be known as Cœur de Lion Commandery.

His dispensations were few in number and all for constitutional purposes.

Under "Decisions" he made the following, regarding Section 132 of the Statutes of the Grand Encampment, that "Section 132 of the Statutes of the Grand Encampment is only mandatory in as far as it applies to the number comprising the committee. The requirement that the committee shall be composed of three is for the purpose of obtaining a majority report; consequently, if two members of the committee make a report, the report is valid and can be acted upon."

Under "Recommendations" is one that the Grand Recorder, who had been writing the Correspondence Report, should be paid for his services, and recommended that an appropriation of one hundred dollars be paid annually for his services as correspondent.

The balance of the report deals with local matters which are of interest only to the fraters of that jurisdiction.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows receipts, with balance on hand, $4,034.69; disbursements, $1,837.13.

The Grand Recorder reports membership 1,614, a net gain for the year of 50.

Among the resolutions adopted at this conclave was the following:

"That Sir Knights holding commissions as Grand Representatives near this Grand Commandery representing our neighboring Grand Commanderies should consider them as rewards of loyalty, fealty, and service to our beloved Order, and should be valued as such when accepted by them; and in order that our sister Grand Commanderies shall be properly represented,

"*Be it Resolved*, That any accredited representative of a sister Grand Commandery near this Grand Body who fails to be present for two successive conclaves shall be considered to have voluntarily resigned such office, and the Grand Recorder shall notify the Grand Commander, who then shall make such recommendation of a nature to have full representation from other Grand Jurisdictions who have been deprived of their appointed representatives."

The election of officers being held, Sir George M. Pike was elected Grand Commander, Sir Walter L. Stockwell re-elected Grand Recorder.

In this jurisdiction the Committee on Necrology makes a splendid report on the passing of distinguished Templars of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

Following the installation of officers, the Grand Recorder presented to R.·.E.·.Sir John W. Carroll a Past Grand Commander's jewel after a design which had been selected during the past year.

The volume contains a historical sketch of the Grand Commandery of North Dakota, very ably setting forth the record of that Grand Body for the past twenty-five years.

The report on Correspondence is by the Grand Recorder, Sir Walter L. Stockwell, and occupies ninety-one pages of the Proceedings. Like all others that he has written, it is an able and painstaking review, containing all the information that is necessary to give to the fraters a good idea of what has been transacted in the various Grand Jurisdictions during the year. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention, two pages being devoted to the same. He very flatteringly commends your Correspondent, for which he will please accept our grateful thanks.

R.·.E.·.Sir George M. Pike, New Rockford, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir Walter L. Stockwell, Fargo, Grand Recorder and Fraternal Correspondent.

The next annual conclave to be held in the city of Grand Forks, probably in the third week in April, 1916.

Ohio, 1914

The Seventy-second Annual Conclave, held in the city of Columbus, May 14, 1914, all the Grand Officers being present and many distinguished visitors and fraters from other Grand Jurisdictions.

The report of the Committee on Credentials evidenced there were eighteen Past Grand Commanders present and the officers and representatives of the various Commanderies of the jurisdiction.

The first business after the appointment of committees was the annual address of the Grand Commander, R.·.E.·.Sir Campbell M. Voorhees, in which he says that before entering upon the business of the conclave it is fitting to pay due respect to the honored memory of the departed fraters. Upon the calling of the roll of the honored dead by the Grand Recorder the Sir Knights arose and with bared heads listened to the same.

R.·.E.·.Sir Voorhees then stated under the head of "Observances" that thirty-two Commanderies assembled in their asylums on Christmas Day and joined in the sentiment proposed by the Committee on Christmas Ceremonial; thirteen Commanderies did not assemble, but through committees and by voluntary contributions of individual Sir Knights collected and distributed $1,662.65; other Commanderies aided in the work of relief to the destitute widows and orphans and others who through sickness and misfortune must depend upon others for assistance.

The Grand Commander reported he had granted sixty-five requests for dispensations, most of those issued being for the purpose of appearing in public to act as escort to the Grand Lodge of Ohio.

Under the head of "Condition of the Order" in the jurisdiction he reported that fifteen Commanderies have 1,492 members exempt from dues (life members); thirty-eight Commanderies require candidates to procure uniforms or make payment for same before receiving the Order of the Temple; sixteen Commanderies require that payment for the uniform be included in the fee for the Order; thirty-eight Commanderies procure uniforms through contract by the Commanderies, ten procure them through the recorders, and thirteen Commanderies leave it to the individual members to procure their uniforms.

Among his recommendations he recommends that all Commanderies throughout the State adopt by-laws providing that the fees for the Orders shall include the cost of everything required by the Commandery in the way of uniform and equipment to an accepted petitioner. He also recommends that the recorders and treasurers of all Commanderies should be required to be under official bonds.

In his "Conclusion" he most heartily agrees with his predecessors in recognition of the valuable assistance given him by Sir Knight John N. Bell, Grand Recorder.

The Grand Treasurer reported receipts, with balance on hand, $29,443.21; disbursements, $13,351.73.

The report of the Grand Recorder shows total membership May 31, 1914, 17,330, a net gain for the year of 691.

On the second day the Grand Officers were elected, Sir Knight Nelson Williams being elected Grand Commander, Sir Knight John N. Bell re-elected Grand Recorder.

Upon the Grand Recorder calling the roll of Grand Representatives thirty responded, but we do not find our good friend Sir Levi C. Goodale, representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, as among the number.

The Committee on Grievance report that no matters of dissatisfaction or grievance between the Commanderies or between the members of Grand Commandery had been presented during the year, and that peace and harmony prevailed throughout the jurisdiction.

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations recommended that a dispensation be granted to the petitioners to form and open a Commandery at Chardon, to be known as Cavalier Commandery.

The officers elect and appointive were then installed into their respective offices by M.·.E.·.Sir William B. Melish, Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment. M.·.E.·.Sir Melish, on behalf of Grand Commandery, then presented R.·.E.·.Sir Voorhees with a Past Grand Commander's jewel, R.·.E.·.Sir Voorhees eloquently responding to the fraternal greeting accorded him.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is by that veteran and able reviewer, Sir John N. Bell, who reviews forty-eight Grand Jurisdictions. Massachusetts and Rhode Island is most courteously reviewed, two and one half pages being occupied by the same.

R.·.E.·.Sir Nelson Williams, Hamilton, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir John N. Bell, Dayton, Grand Recorder and Correspondent.

The next annual conclave to be held in the city of Toledo, October 13, 1915.

Oklahoma, 1915

The Twentieth Annual Conclave, held in Oklahoma City, April 22 and 23, 1915.

All of the Grand Officers present and many distinguished guests, who were escorted into the asylum and duly welcomed with the honors due their rank.

There was also announced as being present R.·.E.·.Sir Sam P. Cochran, Past Grand Commander of Texas and personal representative of V.·.E.·.Sir Lee S. Smith, Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, who was cordially welcomed.

The Committee on Credentials reported there were present eighteen Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of the subordinate Commanderies.

R.·.E.·.Sir J. Angus Gillis, Grand Commander, then delivered his annual address, in which he says, "In an endeavor to deserve the high honor conferred upon me I have used every available moment of time and every ounce of energy I could command to the alloted task of improving Templary along all lines, especially in the ritual and tactics," and from his address it is fully evident that he ably fulfilled his mission.

Commenting upon the dereliction of officers he takes occasion to say, "The Commander who eagerly accepts but perfunctorily and poorly fills the place at the head of the Commandery, the one who is ambitious for the honor but indifferent or negligent in performing the duties of his station, should be replaced by one who will give the place the time and attention necessary to accomplish something, if not all that the surroundings will bear," and "The Recorder who does not sedulously attend to the duties of the office does not earn the money received and should be replaced by one who will take an interest in the welfare and good standing of the Commandery."

He also remarks that, "Learning the ritual and tactics play only a minor part in the broad scope of Templary, still they are important, for the ones that learn these parts are the ones who will devote the time and energy to studying and practising the great things in Templary," to all of which we most heartily agree.

He also reported the granting of a dispensation to fifteen Sir Knights to form and open a Commandery at Heavener, to be known as Heavener Commandery, U.D.

He also reported petition for a new Commandery at Poteau, and recommended that the Grand Commandery grant them a charter upon the showing they present through the Committee on Dispensations and Charters.

Among his decisions was one relative to the right of a Sir Knight who was elected and served as Captain-General and not advanced, but dropped from the line, to continue to wear shoulder straps; also is a Past Commander elected and serving as Grand Prelate one year entitled to wear Grand Prelate shoulder straps with the initials P.G.P., and if a Sir Knight is elected and serves as Grand Recorder and resigns would he be entitled to wear Grand Recorder shoulder straps with the initials P.G.R.?

These questions he submitted to the Acting Grand Master, M.·.E.·.Sir Lee S. Smith, and the decision was "No." He further states that the only officers of a Grand Commandery who are entitled to recognition as past officers either by title or dress are the first four officers of the Grand Commandery.

In his recommendations was one that subordinate recorders be required to take receipts and keep a record of the delivery of rituals, and that the Grand Recorder print in the Annual Proceedings the numbers of the different rituals in the jurisdiction and by whom received. He also recommends a form of receipt for the reception and transmission of the rituals.

He recommends that hereafter Grand Commandery spend two full days in each annual conclave.

He recommends a change in the Code, so that it shall read, "The fees for the Orders of Knighthood shall not be less than $50, and no application shall be received unless accompanied by a fee of not less than $30, which in no case shall be remitted." Also that no companion shall receive the Order of the Temple until he has procured for himself a regulation uniform, as prescribed by the Grand Commandery.

Following his address the roll of Grand Representatives was called, twenty-two responding, R.·.E.·.Sir Ira B. Kirkland, representing Massachusetts, being among the number.

The Grand Recorder's report shows the membership January 1, 1915, 2,474, a net gain for the year of 96.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows receipts, with balance on hand, $4,117.63; disbursements, $1,426.41.

The report of the Committee on Necrology is an able document by E.·.Sir M. F. Cowden, and pays fitting tribute to the departed fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

At six o'clock P.M. the business was suspended until nine o'clock the following day.

SECOND DAY

The first business was the election of officers, resulting in the election of Sir James A. Scott as Grand Commander and Sir George W. Spencer re-elected as Grand Recorder.

The Committee on Dispensations and Charters recommended that the dispensation issued to the Sir Knights at Heavener to form and open a Commandery be taken up by the Grand Commandery, and the affairs of Heavener Commandery, U.D., be closed under and by the direction of the Grand Commander of Knights Templar of Oklahoma, and that a charter to form and open a Commandery of Knights Templar at Poteau be granted.

The report of the committee on motion was not approved, and the dispensation granted to Heavener Commandery, U.D., was continued in full force and effect until the next annual conclave. Motion that a dispensation be granted to the petitioners at Poteau was declared out of order, and the matter referred to the Jurisprudence Committee.

The Committee on Jurisprudence then made their report and recommended that a dispensation to form and open a Commandery at Poteau, to be known as Poteau Commandery, U.D., be granted, which was adopted.

The officers elected and appointed were then installed by R.·.E.·.Sir Sam P. Cochran, Past Grand Commander of Texas, and the customary Past Grand Commander's jewel was presented to the retiring Past Grand Commander.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is by Sir Morella F. Cowden and occupies 107 pages of the Proceedings. He reviews all of the Grand Jurisdictions, with the exception of Utah and Virginia, which had not been received.

Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous review of two pages and a half. He has a kind word to say for your correspondent, for which he will please accept our grateful acknowledgments.

R.·.E.·.Sir James A. Scott, Muskogee, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir George W. Spencer, Oklahoma City, Grand Recorder.

E.·.Sir M. F. Cowden, Oklahoma City, Committee on Correspondence.

The Twenty-first Annual Conclave to be held in Oklahoma City, April 21, 1916.

OREGON, 1914

The Twenty-eighth Annual Conclave, held in the city of Ashland, September 24, 1914.

There being the constitutional number of representatives present, Grand Commandery was called to order, and after devotions the roll was called and all the Grand Officers found to be present, five Past Grand Commanders, twenty-four Past Eminent Commanders, and seventeen representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions, among whom we find recorded E∴ Sir Ralph D. Robinson, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The Right Eminent Grand Commander and Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Commandery of California were also received and welcomed, as were also the Grand Representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions. Sir Ralph D. Robinson, Grand Representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, at the reception of Grand Representatives addressed Grand Commandery at length, and we quote from his remarks:

> "As the representative of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island in this Grand Jurisdiction, I would review the work of those States by first stating that it was my pleasure to personally meet E∴ Sir Henry C. Dexter, Grand Lecturer of the Grand Commandery of the State I represent, during the past year. E∴ Sir Dexter was in the city of Portland and we enjoyed a pleasant chat. Before leaving he was shown the commission granted by his Grand Commander to your representative, and I honestly believe that the Eminent Sir did not know what the appointment was, or, even better, did not know that such a thing was in vogue. Naturally I was surprised, and this leads me to remark that I do not believe a majority of the Grand Officers of the subordinate jurisdictions know of Templar routine work and have a true understanding of the aims of the Grand Commanderies that they represent until they are within a year of the highest honor that can be conferred by their State conclave. This is not as it should be, and for one I am for seeing to it that Oregon's representative in the old Bay State receives at least a copy of our Proceedings.
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> "The Grand Commandery Proceedings of Massachusetts and Rhode Island are well gotten up and handsome."

Other Grand Representatives present also made extended reports.

The Grand Commander, R∴ E∴ Sir Leonard L. Jewell, delivered his annual address. Under the head of "Necrology" he pays tribute to the departed fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions, and the Sir Knights stood with bared heads in honor of the memory of the beloved dead.

Under the head of "Decisions" he reported that no matters or questions had been referred to him during the year for his decision. He granted three dispensations for shortening the time for what he calls "good and sufficient reasons to justify same."

He reports that in traveling over the State he found a great lack of conformity to any one set of tactics, and recommended that Grand Commandery make some provision, thereby giving the incoming Grand Commander authority, or Grand Commandery appoint a general inspector, who shall be paid his traveling expenses and a reasonable salary, to go through the State and inspect and teach each Commandery the work and tactics.

In closing he pays fitting tribute to the Grand Recorder, saying he was a tower of strength and courtesy.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows receipts, with balance on hand, $9,725.27; balance on hand after disbursements, $3,256.05.

The Grand Recorder's report shows a membership of 1,813, a net gain for the year of 71.

The Committee on Grievance report as follows:

> "Your Committee on Grievance begs leave to report that we deeply deplore the existing conditions in foreign jurisdictions whereby Sir Knights are compelled to draw their swords and shed the blood unknowingly of fraters and brethren of our fraternity, the more so because of the fact that the spirit of harmony and good will so prevalent in our own and concurrent jurisdictions is so noticeable that no grievance of any nature has been presented for our consideration at this time."

The following resolution was referred to the Jurisprudence Committee:

> "*Resolved,* That every subordinate Commandery in this jurisdiction be specifically directed and required to either confer or communicate the Order of the Knights of Malta upon each candidate within thirty days after conferring the Order of the Temple."

At the election of officers Sir Dillon B. Grant was elected Grand Commander, Sir James F. Robinson re-elected Grand Recorder.

No report on Correspondence.

R.·.E.·.Sir Dillon B. Grant, Portland, Grand Commander.

R.·.E.·.Sir James F. Robinson, Portland, Grand Recorder.

The Twenty-ninth Annual Conclave to be held in the city of Portland, the fourth Thursday of September, 1915.

Pennsylvania, 1915

The Sixty-second Annual Conclave, held in the city of Philadelphia, May 25 and 26, 1915.

Grand Commandery assembled in Masonic Temple at 3.05 o'clock in the afternoon, when R.·.E.·.Sir A. Howard Thomas, Grand Commander, introduced Honorable Rudolph Blankenburg, the mayor of the city of Philadelphia, who delivered an address of welcome.

At the conclusion of the mayor's address the Grand Commander expressed his thanks and introduced V.·.E.·.Sir Lee S. Smith, Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States of America, who responded to the remarks of the mayor.

The mayor then retired and Grand Commandery was opened, with all the Grand Officers present, eighteen Past Grand Commanders, and thirty-six representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions. We are pleased to note that R.·.E.·.Sir James H. Codding, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, was present.

It being announced that a number of distinguished fraters were present, R.·.E.·.Sir George W. Kendrick, Jr., was requested to introduce them, and fifteen distinguished fraters from other Grand Jurisdictions were then introduced and welcomed, among whom we find R.·.E.·.Sir Walter F. Medding, Grand Commander of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and R.·.E.·.Sir Frank L. Nagle, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The annual address of the Grand Commander followed.

Relative to the matter of granting jurisdiction, among other things he said:

> "It is very evident that some of our Sir Knights do not construe the law referred to as I do. It seems to me when a Commandery receives a petition from a companion whose residence is nearer some other Commandery, and the usual request for a waiver is made, there should be no objection to granting the waiver, unless there were good reasons for keeping the applicant out of the Order entirely."

He said he had noted that in some Commanderies the work is done entirely by the Past officers, and remarks that the officers of a Commandery should be ready at all times to confer the Orders without having to depend on Past Commanders to do it for them.

He reported many dispensations had been granted for the purpose of attending Templar functions, and said that he was a firm believer in Commanderies appearing in public on all proper occasions. He also says he believes that "a reasonable and dignified presentation of the aims and purposes of Templar Masonry to one who has received the necessary preceding degrees can in no possible way degrade the Templar Order, but must necessarily result in an increase in membership and a corresponding enlargement to the sphere of Templar influence and usefulness."

Under "Necrology" he pays fitting tribute to the departed fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

Among his decisions was one that it is obligatory upon a Commandery which charges a life membership fee to provide for a permanent fund. He also decided that a by-law providing that a Sir Knight having been a member for twenty-one consecutive years, and having paid full dues charged against him, shall be exempt from payment of any dues except Grand Commandery dues is inconsistent with Title XIX, Sections 8 and 9 of the Code, which is good logic.

Among his edicts was one that no life members or veteran members be created in any Commandery without the payment of the fixed sum, as required by the Statutes and Regulations of the Grand Commandery, regardless of the length of years said members have been members of the Commandery.

He reports the constitution of Bethlehem Commandery and the installation of its officers.

In his conclusion he pays fitting tribute to the worth and assistance of R.·.E.·.Sir Allen, Grand Recorder, and his able assistant, E.·.Sir Mason.

From the Grand Treasurer's report we find that the receipts were $28,683.54; disbursements, $14,104.67. He also calls attention to the fact that twenty-seven subordinate Commanderies were delinquent in remitting dues for the Templar year, the same amounting to $4,372.40, which seems to be a matter that requires stringent regulations.

The Grand Recorder reported the number of Commanderies 87, with a membership April 30, 1915, of 23,625.

The first day's business having been concluded Grand Commandery adjourned to meet the following day at 9 o'clock A.M.

SECOND DAY

Grand Commandery was called to order at 9.10 o'clock A.M.

That this Grand Jurisdiction is in good condition is evidenced by the report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, the chairman of which reported that no matter of any character had been brought before the committee.

Relative to the Triennial Conclave of 1919, it was

"*Resolved*, That the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania extend an invitation to the Grand Encampment of the United States of America to hold the Thirty-fourth Annual Conclave within the jurisdiction of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania."

At the election of officers V.·.E.·.Sir Bradley W. Lewis was elected Grand Commander, R.·.E.·.Sir William W. Allen re-elected Grand Recorder.

The following preamble and resolution was adopted:

"WHEREAS, Knights Templarism is founded upon the Christian religion, and the practice of the Christian virtues, and

WHEREAS, The Christian religion is embodied in the two grand Commandments of its founder, Jesus Christ, viz., 'Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart,' and 'Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself,' and

WHEREAS, the liquor traffic is in principle and practice diametrically opposed to the Christian religion, is its acknowledged foe and is flagrantly and perpetually violating the two great Commandments above referred to, as is evident by the fact that it is the source of approximately 35 per cent of insanity, 45 per cent of idiocy, 42 per cent of divorce, 75 per cent of crime, and 90 per cent of poverty,

Therefore, be it resolved, That to Section 90 of the Constitution of the Grand Commandery be added the substance of the following:

1. No one engaged in the liquor traffic, either as a wholesaler, retailer, manufacturer, bottler, distiller, dealer, dispenser, or in any other manner whatsoever of spirituous, vinous, or malt liquors as a beverage shall be eligible for the Orders of Knighthood or membership in any Commandery.
2. The use of spirituous, vinous, or malt liquors as a beverage in a hall of Knights Templar, or at any banquet, social, drill, or other functions given by, under the auspices of, or for the benefit of Knights Templar is prohibited."

It was announced that R.·.E.·.Sir George McGown, personal representative of the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, was present, whereupon he was introduced and cordially welcomed, to which he most gracefully responded.

After prayer by the Acting Grand Prelate, Grand Commandery adjourned to Lu Lu Temple, where the Grand Officers were publicly installed, the ceremony consisting of an elaborate programme and addresses.

The report on Correspondence is by R.·.E.·.Sir Thomas F. Penman, occupying 142 pages of the Proceedings. He thoroughly reviews all of the Grand Jurisdictions, Massachusetts and Rhode Island receiving courteous attention of three pages. He has a good word to say for your Grand Recorder, for which we express our grateful thanks.

R.·.E.·.Sir Bradley W. Lewis, Philadelphia, Grand Commander.

R.·.E.·.Sir William W. Allen, Philadelphia, Grand Recorder.

R.·.E.·.Sir Thomas F. Penman, Chairman Committee on Correspondence.

The Sixty-third Annual Conclave to be held in the city of Scranton on the fourth Tuesday in May, 1916.

South Carolina, 1915

The Ninth Annual Conclave, held in the city of Greenwood, April 14, 1915.

All the Grand Officers present, three Past Grand Commanders, and the representatives of the constituent Commanderies. Twenty Grand Representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions were also present, but we fail to find the Sir Knight who is representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island among the number.

Following the appointment of committees, Grand Commander R.·.E.·.Sir William E. Gantt rendered his annual address, in which he states that harmony still prevails in the ranks of that Grand Jurisdiction and that the membership shows a splendid increase.

He, like many other Grand Commanders, includes in his address the report on Necrology. We note that under Massachusetts he reports M. Puiss. George J. Pinckard, Past Grand Master, New Orleans, La.

Dispensations granted were few in number. One dispensation was refused to receive petition and ballot for the orders at a special conclave.

His decisions were also few and all in accord with constitutional law.

Our good friend William M. Bird, Grand Treasurer, reports receipts, with balance on hand, $4,216.05; expenditures, $1,262.81.

The Grand Recorder reports that the membership is now 1,660, a net gain for the year of 100.

Among the transactions of the day was a recommendation that the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars be paid to the Masonic Home Fund, and that one hundred dollars be appropriated to secure charter membership in the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances reported nothing had come to them for adjustment.

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations approved each of the four dispensations granted by the Grand Commander. They also submit a majority and minority report on a petition to establish a Commandery at Florence, and recommend that the petition be not granted. The minority made a report favoring the establishing the Commandery at Florence. Upon a vote being taken — "yes" favoring the majority report and "no" the minority report — the result was "yes" 13, "no" 12, and upon motion the vote was made unanimous.

At the election of officers Sir L. A. Melchers was elected Grand Commander and Sir Joseph Lindsay re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence, occupying ninety-two pages, is by Sir John G. Johnson. In it he says he had attempted to cull from the transactions such things as would be of interest to the fraters of South Carolina, and from the reading of the report it seems evident he has accomplished what he set out to do. Commenting upon the report of Sir Nathaniel L. Mewhinney, under Alabama, he says that the report is, as usual, interesting, but that he is afraid to say much for fear things will get mixed up again and he will get credit for giving him some one else's work. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention, three pages being devoted to the same. He calls our correspondence report a good one, for which we extend our heartfelt thanks. We quote from his "Conclusion":

> "Once more we have made the rounds of the various Grand Jurisdictions and have come to the end of the journey. At times the work has been arduous, burdened as we were with other duties, but on the whole the journey has been a pleasant one."

And we would say that his is the opinion of nearly all of the fraters of the "Round Table." He also says:

"Now, if we can only in some way get a great many of our members, would you call them Sir Knights, to realize that Templarism means something more than merely going to the conclaves, especially when a banquet is on hand, or appearing in uniform whenever a public occasion presents itself (though these are well), but to come only for these is to lose the finest part of it."

R.·.E.·.Sir L. A. Melchers, Charleston, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir Joseph Lindsay, Chester, Grand Recorder.

The Tenth Annual Conclave will be held in the city of Charleston, on the first Wednesday after the second Tuesday in April, 1916.

South Dakota, 1914

The Thirty-first Annual Conclave, held in the city of Vermillion, August 11, 12, and 13, 1914.

The volume opens with a splendid Bather portrait of R.·.E.·. Sir Frederick Treon, Grand Commander.

Previous to the opening of Grand Commandery, the members and visiting Sir Knights, preceded by the Vermillion Band, were escorted from the Hotel Waldorf to the Opera House, where a very interesting programme was participated in by the Sir Knights and citizens of Vermillion.

Grand Commandery was opened in the asylum of Vermillion Commandery, No. 16, at one o'clock in the afternoon, all the Grand Officers being present. During the ceremonies of opening, after the lines were formed, R.·.E.·.Sir Francis E. White, of Omaha, Nebraska, representative of the M.·.E.·. Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, was received with all the honors due his rank.

The Committee on Credentials reported that besides the Grand Officers there were present seven Past Grand Commanders and the Grand Representatives of twenty-one sister Grand Jurisdictions, and we are pleased to see that Sir M. F. Montgomery, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, was among the number.

In the address of R.·.E.·.Sir Frederick Treon, Grand Commander, he, like many others, makes a report on "Necrology," and during the reading of the same the Sir Knights stood at attention, uncovered, and the Grand Recorder called the roll.

Dispensations were few and all in accordance with constitutional law. He made but one decision and that could have been decided by consulting the ritual.

In his "Conclusion" he pays fitting tribute to the worth and assistance of Grand Recorder George A. Pettigrew.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts, with balance on hand, $3,689.91; disbursements, $1,921.40.

The report of the Grand Recorder shows the membership to be 1,829, a gain for the year of 62.

At the election of officers Sir Frank W. Medbery was elected Grand Commander and Sir George A. Pettigrew re-elected Grand Recorder.

The Committee on Grievance report no matters of grievance had been submitted to them for adjustment, and that happy conditions prevail throughout the jurisdiction, with bright prospects for a continuance of the same in the future.

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations recommend that a charter be granted to Battle Mountain Commandery, U.D., which report was concurred in.

The report on Correspondence is by E.·.Sir Charles L. Brockway, whose half-tone portrait adorns the first page of the report.

This is his sixth report and he reviews forty-six Grand Jurisdictions, including Canada, England, and Wales. The report like others that have preceded it is a splendid review, each jurisdiction being embellished with a portrait of the correspondent for that jurisdiction. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous review. He says our report shows a careful survey of the Templar field, that we make few excerpts, but get everything together in such form that those interested can easily learn what is going on, for which he will please accept our most grateful thanks.

R.·.E.·.Sir Frank W. Medbery, Deadwood, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir George A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls, Grand Recorder.

E∴Sir Charles L. Brockway, Sioux Falls, Committee on Correspondence.

The next annual conclave to be held at Huron, August 10, 11, and 12, 1915.

SOUTH DAKOTA, 1915

The Thirty-second Annual Conclave, held in the city of Huron, August 10, 11, and 12, 1915.

All the Grand Officers present, with the exception of the Grand Prelate.

Immediately preceding the formal opening of Grand Commandery the lines were formed, when R∴E∴Sir Edward C. Day, of Helena, Montana, representative of the Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, was received and welcomed with the honors due his rank.

The first business after the reception of distinguished visitors was the report of the Committee on Credentials, who report besides the Grand Officers present, ten Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of twenty sister Grand Jurisdictions, Massachusetts and Rhode Island not being represented among the number.

The address of R∴E∴Sir Frank W. Medbery, Grand Commander, followed. Among his first words was a knightly tribute to the departed fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions. His dispensations were few and for constitutional purposes.

He reported the constitution of Battle Mountain Commandery, in the city of Hot Springs, on November 14, 1914.

In his "Conclusion" he expresses his grateful acknowledgments for the assistance of the Sir Knights of the Jurisdiction, more especially to the Grand Recorder Sir George A. Pettigrew, for his invaluable assistance.

From the Grand Treasurer's report we find that the receipts, with balance on hand, were $4,055.26; disbursements, $1,845.45.

The Grand Recorder's report shows the present membership 1,908, a gain for the year of 78.

We quote from the report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals:

> "Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals begs leave to report that it has made strict search and persistent inquiry in the Grand Recorder's office, in the archives of the asylum, and among the different standards assembled, and we take great pleasure in reporting that your committee is unable to find anything requiring attention."

They also state that the same report has been made for over thirty years, which shows an enviable condition throughout the jurisdiction.

At the election of Grand Officers Sir Wilbert D. Swain was elected Grand Commander, Sir George A. Pettigrew re-elected Grand Recorder.

During the third day's session the Grand Representatives present were called and presented themselves before the Grand Commander, who extended a most cordial greeting to them and the Grand Jurisdictions represented by them.

The officers elect and appointive were then duly installed into their respective offices, with the exception of the Grand Prelate, who was absent.

The report on Correspondence is the sixth annual by R∴E∴ Sir Charles L. Brockway, who presents a courteous review of the Proceedings coming under his eye. It shows a painstaking reading of the Proceedings and a thorough gleaning of the more important matter contained in the same. Massachusetts and Rhode Island is courteously reviewed, two pages being devoted to the same.

R∴E∴Sir Wilbert D. Swain, Aberdeen, Grand Commander.

R∴E∴Sir George A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls, Grand Recorder.

E∴Sir Charles L. Brockway, Sioux Falls, Committee on Correspondence.

The Thirty-third Annual Conclave to be held in the city of Redfield, August 8, 9, and 10, 1916.

TENNESSEE, 1915

The Fifty-third Annual Conclave, held at Tate Springs, May 27 and 28, 1915.

Previous to the opening of the conclave the members of Grand Commandery assembled at the hotel and marched to meet the members of Cœur de Lion and Cyprus Commanderies, who escorted them to the Assembly Hall, where the Grand Commandery was dismissed. All the Sir Knights and other guests of the Knoxville Commanderies then proceeded to the hotel, where an eloquent address of welcome was delivered by Sir J. B. Jones, of Knoxville, to which Past Grand Commander R.·.E.·.Sir L. G. Walker, of Chattanooga, responded.

At the opening of Grand Commandery all the Grand Officers were found to be present, eleven Past Grand Commanders.

The first business was the reception of Sir George A. Lewis, representing the Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, who was duly received and accorded the honors due his exalted rank.

After the appointment of committees, Grand Commander, R.·.E.·.Sir William Bowen, delivered his address. Among other things he said, that "While the fraters of Europe and Canada have been overwhelmed with disaster and loss, the Knights Templar of the United States have fortunately not been visited with any great calamity. All our calls for aid have been for fraters in other lands. The response to these calls from Tennessee has been generous indeed. In our home jurisdiction all has been peace and prosperity, only marred by the death of two officers of our Grand Commandery."

He also announces a donation of $1,500, as per resolution of Grand Commandery, to the Board of Control of the Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home. He also reports that in response to the circular of M.·.E.·.Sir Knight Arthur MacArthur, there had been contributed for the relief of the Templar from the United States in London, $332.

This Grand Jurisdiction, like many others, has the loss of rituals to contend with. One Commandery reported that all their rituals had been lost, but after an order of investigation by the Grand Commander, two of the rituals and the prelate's ritual had been found and the other ritual accounted for.

His dispensations were few in number and all for constitutional purposes. He is also to be highly commended for making a complete round of the Commanderies. He reports invasion of their territory by a Commandery in the State of North Carolina, which up to the time of his address had not been satisfactorily settled.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows receipts, with balance on hand, of $13,308.00; expenditures of $4,428.39.

The Grand Recorder reports total membership 1,906, a net gain for the year of 104.

At the second day's session the Committee on Credentials reported thirty-five Grand Representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions present. We are pleased to note that among the number was Sir G. L. Cowan, representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The report of the Committee on Templar Dead occupies three pages of the Proceedings, in which due respect is paid to the memory of the departed fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

At the election of officers Sir Hamilton F. Shoun was elected Grand Commander, Sir Stith M. Cain re-elected Grand Recorder.

R.·.E.·.Sir John B. Nicklin, Past Grand Commander, installed the newly elected officers.

In this Grand Jurisdiction we note the regulation that "Eminent Commanders of Commanderies in this jurisdiction are required to drill their respective Commanderies at least once a month," and,

"No Commander-elect shall be installed until he shall have prepared and qualified himself to properly confer the orders of Christian Knighthood."

The report on Correspondence is by Sir Henry A. Chambers, Chairman, who condenses into sixty-three pages a readable and interesting report. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives two pages of courteous notice. He says the review of your Correspondent is one to his liking, and it is just what he believes that every Correspondent should put forth, which is very gratifying to your Correspondent.

R.·.E.·.Sir Hamilton F. Shoun, Greeneville, Grand Commander.

E∴Sir Stith M. Cain, Nashville, Grand Recorder.

The next annual conclave to be held in Clarksville, May, 1916, the date to be determined by the Grand Commander.

TEXAS, 1915

The Sixty-second Annual Conclave, held in the city of Galveston, April 7 and 8, 1915.

Previous to the opening of the conclave public ceremonies were held, at which an extended order of exercises were had.

At the opening of Grand Commandery all the Grand Officers were found to be present, thirteen Past Grand Commanders.

The first business was the reception of M∴E∴Sir Henry B. Stoddard, Past Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States and Past Grand Commander of Texas, who was escorted into the asylum by R∴E∴Sir Sam P. Cochran, with an escort of eleven Past Grand Commanders, and cordially welcomed.

R∴E∴Sir Charles E. Rosenbaum, Past Grand Commander of Arkansas and personal representative of V∴E∴Sir Lee S. Smith, Acting Grand Master, was announced as being in waiting. R∴E∴Sir Cochran and all the Past Grand Commanders present, as escort, retired and introduced the distinguished visitor, who was cordially received and welcomed. Sir Rosenbaum responded in a very eloquent and feeling manner to the welcome extended to him.

R∴E∴Sir George W. Tyler, Grand Commander, then delivered his annual address, in which he sets forth concisely the transactions of his office during the year. The address contains much of interest to the fraters of his own Grand Jurisdiction, being mostly of a local nature.

His dispensations were few and for constitutional purposes. His decisions were also in accord with constitutional law.

He states that it will doubtless be noticed that he had attempted nothing unusual or startling, but that it had been his desire to preserve the organization, discipline, and best interests of the Order. His report certainly indicates that he fully lived up to his intentions. We excerpt the following from his "Conclusion":

"Such is the loyalty and chivalry of this great Order that he who occupies the post of honor for the time is happily surrounded by such evidences of knightly devotion and fraternal affection as to make him feel something apart from his real personality, and he passes in and out among his fraters, in the cycle of his official year, like one in a pleasant dream. The manifestations of this loyalty and good will accorded to me on every hand have made me feel the warmth and glow of this generous sentiment, and I shall pass out of its charming influence like one aroused from his slumber and awakened from his day dream of ecstasy and delight."

The report of the Grand Treasurer, which was referred to the Committee on Finance, exhibits the resources of many different funds.

General Fund, receipts, with balance, $11,867.45; disbursements, $8,626.12; balance on hand after disbursements, $3,241.33. The amount of the Reserve, $1,557.87; hospital fund, $5,477.39; Masonic Orphans' Home Library Fund, $25.06; Aged Masons' Home Library Fund, $252.95; Emergency Fund, $400.00; Triennial Fund, $2,153.98, making a total of $13,158.58.

The Grand Recorder as usual makes a full and able report. Present membership 6,553, a net gain for the year of 318. He also makes a recommendation that a regulation be adopted that the failure to make returns be specially called to the attention of subordinate Commanderies, and if so many still fail to make returns, that the statutes be so amended as to make it a Masonic offense on the part of the commander and recorder to fail to make returns within the time required by law, and also assess a fine against the recorder personally.

Upon calling the roll of Grand Representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions, twenty-eight were found to be present, and, as usual, the representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, E∴Sir John C. Kidd, was among the number.

E∴Sir V. G. Thomas rendered the report of the Committee on Necrology, paying fitting tribute to the departed fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

The election of officers being held, Sir William G. Newby was elected Grand Commander, Sir John C. Kidd re-elected Grand Recorder.

After the installation of Grand Officers the usual Past Grand Commander's jewel was presented to the retiring Grand Commander, R.·.E.·.Sir George W. Tyler.

The report on Correspondence, occupying 164 pages, is by E.·.Sir John C. Kidd, for the committee, and that he thoroughly observed everything in the Proceedings that came under their review is evidenced by the report. Some criticisms and comments are interspersed, but all of a kindly nature. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives due attention of four and one half pages.

R.·.E.·.Sir William G. Newby, Fort Worth, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir John C. Kidd, Houston, Grand Recorder, and Chairman Foreign Correspondence.

The Sixty-third Annual Conclave to be held in the city of Dallas, beginning April 26, 1916.

Utah, 1915

The Sixth Annual Conclave, held in the asylum of El Monte Commandery, No. 2, Masonic Temple, city of Ogden, May 11, 1915.

All the Grand Officers present; four Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of three Commanderies.

The first business after the opening was the address of R.·.E.·. Sir John S. Lewis, Grand Commander. Immediately following his opening words he paid a graceful tribute to the departed fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions, the Grand Recorder reading the names.

His decisions, two, were both for constitutional purposes. He also reported the Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer had been placed under bonds in the sum of $1,000.

The address, although brief, contains all that is necessary for the information of the fraters of the jurisdiction.

From the Grand Recorder's report we find that the total membership is 483, a net gain for the year of 18.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts, with balance on hand, $2,142.34; disbursements, $1,363.67; balance on hand, $779.67.

The Proceedings contain reports of the Grand Representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions, and among them we find one from our own Right Eminent Grand Commander, as the Grand Representative of Utah, near that of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and we excerpt the same:

> Malden, Mass., May 7, 1915.
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> R.·.E.·.John S. Lewis, *Grand Commander*, Ogden, Utah
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> *Right Eminent and Dear Sir:* I am happy to inform you that peace and harmony prevail in this Grand Jurisdiction, and that the spirit of true Templary is in the hearts of all the fraters, and they are living in the bonds of knightly hospitality. Massachusetts and Rhode Island sends greetings and best wishes to the fraters of Utah, and expresses the hope that God's richest blessings in the greatest abundance may always be with them. May your annual conclave be harmonious, and the business there enacted redound to the glory of all.
>
> Courteously yours,
>
> WALTER F. MEDDING,
> *Grand Commander.*

At the election of officers Sir Charles F. Jennings was elected Grand Commander, Sir William A. Raddon re-elected Grand Recorder.

The Committee on Jurisprudence presented a tentative set of by-laws, which were ordered presented to the separate Commanderies, with the recommendation that each Commandery within the jurisdiction adopt the same.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Grand Commander's Address, the amount of compensation for the chairman of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence was fixed at fifty dollars.

R.·.E.·.Sir Jennings brought up the fact that bundles of Proceedings were being stored in the archives of the constituent Commanderies, and suggested that fewer copies be printed and sent only to those who were appreciative of them, and thus eliminate much waste. We consider this a very good suggestion.

The officers were installed by the retiring Grand Commander, R∴E∴Sir John S. Lewis. The customary jewel was presented to him as the retiring Grand Commander.

There being no further business Grand Commandery adjourned.

The report on Correspondence is by R∴E∴Sir Jacob H. Epperson. He states he has endeavored in going through the reports to call attention to what he thought was irregular, or news of importance, and suggests that if he has erred he be told of it, and where he is right, boost. For some reason best known to himself Massachusetts and Rhode Island was omitted from the report. From the reading of the report we are glad to say it is a commendable one.

R∴E∴Sir Charles F. Jennings, Salt Lake City, Grand Commander.

E∴Sir William S. Raddon, Park City, Grand Recorder.

R∴E∴Sir Jacob H. Epperson, reappointed Fraternal Correspondent.

The Seventh Annual Conclave to be held in Salt Lake City, May 9, 1916.

VERMONT, 1915

The Seventy-third Annual Conclave, held in the city of Burlington, June 8, 1915.

All of the Grand Officers present, twenty-five representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions, but we fail to find the Sir Knight representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island among the number.

The first business was the reception of distinguished visitors. V∴E∴Sir Frederick C. Thayer, Grand Standard Bearer of the Grand Encampment of the United States, being in waiting was escorted into the asylum and was duly welcomed in accordance with his exalted position.

The address of Grand Commander Olin W. Daley follows and is a complete review of the transactions of his office during the year. Under the head of "Condition of the Order" we note the following:

> "It is indeed a source of pleasure to be able to report that generally our subordinate Commanderies are in a healthy and prosperous condition. During the year much good work has been done by the various Commanderies throughout this jurisdiction. While the accessions to our membership during the past year have not been large, yet it is gratifying to know that all applications for the Orders of Knighthood have been scrutinized with the greatest care. Advances have been made in proficiency in reference to the ritual work and the asylum tactics, and our efforts at uniformity give largely increased evidences of success. While we have not reached the standard of perfection desired, yet it is encouraging to know that advancement is being made, and I am confident that in the near future we shall reach the same degree of proficiency in our Commandery work as has been attained in the other branches of the York Rite in this jurisdiction. It is also gratifying that I am able to record that peace, harmony, and good will prevail, that no element of discord or confusion abounds within our jurisdiction, and nothing has occurred to disturb the pleasant relations existing between this and other Grand Commanderies."

His decisions were all in accordance with constitutional law and his dispensations, which were few, were the same.

From the Treasurer's report we find the receipts, with balance on hand, of $1,960.13; disbursements, $1,222.87.

The Grand Recorder's report shows total number of members June, 1915, 2,797, a net gain for the year of 14.

That this jurisdiction is in good condition is evidenced by the report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, who, as in many other Grand Jurisdictions, report that nothing had been presented to them for consideration.

The first business of the afternoon session was the election of officers, Sir Edward L. Bates being elected Grand Commander, Sir Henry H. Ross re-elected Grand Recorder.

The officers-elect were then installed by R∴E∴Sir Marsh O. Perkins, who also in behalf of Grand Commandery presented to the retiring Grand Commander a Past Grand Commander's jewel.

The report on Correspondence is by our esteemed friend and frater R.∴E.∴Sir Marsh O. Perkins, who gives a comprehensive review of all the Grand Jurisdictions except Virginia and Montana, the report occupying eighty-two pages.

Massachusetts and Rhode Island is very faithfully reviewed with two pages.

R.∴E.∴Sir Edward L. Bates, Bennington, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir Henry H. Ross, Burlington, Grand Recorder.

R.∴E.∴Sir Marsh O. Perkins, Windsor, chairman of Committee on Correspondence.

The Seventy-fourth Annual Conclave to be held in the city of Burlington, June 13, 1915.

Virginia, 1914

The Ninety-second Annual Conclave held in the city of Richmond, October 29, 1914.

All the Grand Officers present. The asylum being in suitable array the lines were formed, and the Grand Commander reported that every Commandery in the State was represented either by officers in person or by proxy. On calling the roll eleven Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of the constituent Commanderies and eighteen Grand Representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions responded.

The first business after roll call was the reception of R.∴E.∴Sir A. B. Andrews, Jr., Grand Captain of the Guard of the Grand Encampment and personal representative of the Most Eminent Grand Master, who was received under the arch of steel, conducted to the east, and most cordially welcomed by the Grand Commander.

R.∴E.∴Sir John D. Oglesby, Grand Commander, then delivered his address, in which he pays fitting tribute to the departed fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions. The Sir Knights being at attention and uncovered, the Grand Recorder called the silent roll of the valiant and faithful Knights who had passed away during the year.

The Grand Commander reported the granting of one dispensation, and that for constitutional purposes. He refused applications from six separate Commanderies to receive and ballot upon petitions at the same conclave.

The report of the Grand Recorder shows the number of Sir Knights October 1, 1914, 3,450, a net gain for the year of 114.

From the Grand Treasurer's report we find that the receipts, with balance on hand, were $4,629.49; amount on hand after disbursements, $1,130.94. Amount of Triennial Fund, $1,275.49.

Resolution was offered that a committee be appointed to take into consideration the propriety of changing the design of the Past Grand Commander's jewel. Resolution was also offered that "Section 212 of the Constitution and Statutes of the Grand Encampment of the United States be so amended as to permit nominations for the offices to be filled in subordinate Commanderies. And that such action be taken by this Grand Commandery as will bring this matter to the attention of the Grand Encampment at its next Triennial Conclave." Action on these resolutions was laid over until the next annual conclave.

Petition was received for a new Commandery to be located at The Plains, in the county of Fauquier, to be known as Piedmont Commandery, and the same was referred to the Committee on Dispensations and Charters.

The reports of the inspectors of the several Commanderies are printed in full in the Proceedings.

The Grand Representatives from the eighteen sister Grand Jurisdictions were introduced and cordially welcomed, but we fail to find the Sir Knight representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island was among the number.

At the evening session the election of officers took place, Sir Robert F. Taylor being elected Grand Commander, Sir James B. Blanks re-elected Grand Recorder.

The Committee on Dispensations and Charters reported favorably on the granting of a dispensation to Piedmont Commandery, to be located at The Plains, and the report was adopted.

Much other business of a local nature was transacted, and after the installation of the officers Grand Commandery was adjourned.

No report on Correspondence.

R∴E∴Sir Robert F. Taylor, Roanoke, Grand Commander.

R∴E∴Sir James B. Blanks, Petersburg, Grand Recorder.

R∴E∴Sir James E. Alexander, Alexandria, Correspondent.

Next annual conclave to be held in the city of Richmond on the fourth Tuesday in October, 1915.

West Virginia, 1915

The Forty-first Annual Conclave, held at Bluefield, May 19 and 20, 1915.

The strong face of R∴E∴Sir Luther H. Clark, Grand Commander, adorns the opening of the volume.

Grand Commandery convened at two o'clock in the afternoon, all the Grand Officers present with the exception of the Grand Commander, R∴E∴Sir J. Talman Waters having died during the year. Eight Past Grand Commanders were present and the representatives of the constituent Commanderies.

This Grand Commandery in lieu of a Committee on Credentials provides that the Grand Recorder be required to prepare a roll of all the members present, either in person or by proxy, at each annual conclave before the opening, and hand same to the presiding officer.

Notice having been received that R∴E∴Sir Charles H. Fisk, representing Acting Grand Master Lee S. Smith, was in waiting, the lines were formed and R∴E∴Sir Fisk escorted to the east and accorded a knightly greeting.

The annual address of the Grand Commander presented by the Acting Grand Commander follows, and his first words were to announce the death of R∴E∴Sir J. Talman Waters.

Under decisions the Acting Grand Commander reported that no questions of Templar law had been presented during the year for consideration.

Under the circumstances the address was brief in its nature.

Upon calling the roll of Grand Representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions nineteen responded, but we fail to find the Sir Knight representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island among the number.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows receipts, with balance on hand, $7,228.43; expenditures, $2,650.30.

The Grand Recorder's report shows membership of 4,080, a net gain for the year of 159.

The petition for a dispensation to form and open a Commandery of Knights Templar at Mount Hope was referred to the Committee on Charters and Dispensation.

The election of officers being held, V∴E∴Sir Luther H. Clark being elected Grand Commander and E∴Sir Francis E. Nichols re-elected Grand Recorder, following which Grand Commandery adjourned to the following day.

The first business at the second day's session was the installation of the elected officers.

Balance of the business of the session was mostly of a local nature.

The report on Correspondence is by R∴E∴Sir W. W. Van Winkle, 125 pages being devoted to the same. The review contains matter relating to all of the Grand Jurisdictions, with the exception of Connecticut, Louisiana, Montana, Vermont, and Virginia. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives attention of four pages, and it is a thorough summary of the doings of the Grand Commandery for 1914.

The whole review is a well-considered and able document.

R∴E∴Sir Luther Hale Clark, Kyle, Grand Commander.

E∴Sir Francis E. Nichols, Fairmont, Grand Recorder.

R∴E∴Sir W. W. Van Winkle, Parkersburg, chairman Committee on Templar Correspondence.

The next annual conclave to be held in the city of Clarksburg, May 17, 1916.

Wisconsin, 1914

The Fifty-sixth Annual Conclave, held in the city of Milwaukee, October 13, 1914.

All the Grand Officers present.

The first business after the opening was the reception of distinguished visitors, among whom were R∴E∴Sir George T.

Campbell, Past Grand Commander and present Grand Recorder of Michigan, also the special representative of M∴E∴ Sir Arthur MacArthur, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, who was formally welcomed and escorted to the east by R∴E∴Sir A. E. Matheson, Grand Commander.

The address of Grand Commander Matheson followed, and it is an able and painstaking document. After his introductory remarks he pays fitting tribute to the Templar dead of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions. Among his decisions was one that a Sir Knight could not be disciplined on account of arrearages in dues for less than two years. Another decision relates to a Royal Arch Mason who petitioned a Commandery "A," and was rejected. He moved from the jurisdiction of this Commandery to the jurisdiction of Commandery "B." In about two and one half years he contemplated presenting his petition to Commandery "B," and the question was asked in the event that Commandery "A" refused consent by unanimous ballot for Commandery "B" to act upon the petition within three years, what would be the status of the companion as a rejected candidate with reference to Commandery "A." His answer was: "If the petitioner presents his petition to Commandery 'B' within the three years, and Commandery 'A' refuses unanimous consent, then the three-year limitation commences anew and a petition of the companion must be submitted to Commandery 'A' at any time within three years after the refusal of such unanimous consent."

He refused dispensation to receive and ballot upon petitions at the same conclave.

He reported dispensation to form and open a new Commandery to be located in the city of Milwaukee, to be known as Galilee Commandery, and recommended that a charter be granted.

He reports the Orders of Knights Templar in Wisconsin in a flourishing condition and that it was his opinion it was gaining constantly in strength and prosperity; harmony prevailed throughout the ranks and no Templar trial had been brought to his attention during the year.

In regard to campaigning and solicitation he says:

"We cannot too often revert to a cardinal principle for our guidance as Knights Templar to the effect that systematic organized solicitation and effort to induce Royal Arch Companions to take the Orders of Knighthood should be avoided. In my view it is not un-Masonic for a Sir Knight to ask a friend or acquaintance to take a petition and sign it; nor is a Sir Knight violating his duty who possibly urges upon some Royal Arch Mason the beauties and splendid Christian teachings of the Order of the Temple. Farther than this, however, as Sir Knights we should not go. It is beneath our high station to do more in our efforts to increase our membership."

We also excerpt his remarks regarding smoking in asylums.

"On another occasion and before another Grand Body I gave utterance to my profound conviction relative to smoking in lodge rooms and asylums. It should not be permitted. These remarks are not to be construed in any sense as a criticism of the habit of smoking. Whether a Sir Knight shall smoke or not is for him to decide, and not for me. It is not for my purpose to object to smoking at banquets and in social rooms adjoining asylums. While some Sir Knight will doubtless accuse me of not being strict enough in my beliefs, I am willing to go to the extent of saying that it would not be a serious breach of Masonic good form for Sir Knights to smoke in asylums during business sessions of Commanderies. But smoking should not be allowed in the asylums of subordinate Commanderies while work is in progress. It interferes with the good work of officers, and must make anything but a favorable impression upon the candidate.

"I am aware of the difficulties that confront the Eminent Commander in his endeavor to regulate this habit. I refer the matter to you for consideration. The Orders conferred in our Commanderies are beautiful, suggestive, and full of meaning. They should be so conferred as to give a great spiritual and moral uplift to the Sir Knights present, and particularly to the candidate. I believe that these things are especially true in the Order of the Temple. It is my judgment that there is a serious interference with these purposes and results if smoking is allowed in the asylums when work is being done."

The Grand Recorder reports the whole number of members 5,219, a net gain for the year of 220.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows receipts, with balance on hand, $11,238.22; disbursements, $4,270.60.

Upon calling the roll of Grand Representatives twenty-one responded, Massachusetts and Rhode Island not being represented.

The Committee on Necrology presented an able report (occupying many pages of the Proceedings), which was upon motion accepted and ordered printed in the Proceedings.

The election of officers resulted in Sir Robert B. Lang as Grand Commander, Sir William W. Perry re-elected Grand Recorder.

The Committee on Templar Jurisprudence, under the head of Council Degrees, report as follows:

> Your Committee on Templar Jurisprudence would report that they have had under careful consideration the proposed amendments to Section 113 and Section 189 of the Grand Encampment, which make it necessary for a petitioner for the Orders of Knighthood to have received the Council degrees and to be an affiliated Select Master, and are of the opinion that said requirement is not desirable, and therefore recommend that this Grand Commandery express itself as against the adoption of said amendment,"

and upon motion the report was adopted.

The officers were installed into their respective positions by Past Grand Commander Adolph Wagner, assisted by Past Grand Commander George B. Wheeler as Grand Marshal, after which the regulation Past Grand Commander's jewel was presented to Past Grand Commander Sir Alexander C. Matheson.

The Grand Commandery then adjourned.

The report on Correspondence is by Sir R. W. Bosworth and occupies 136 pages of the Proceedings. All the jurisdictions were reviewed, with the exception of Montana and South Dakota. He uses the scissors freely, interspersed with frequent comment and criticism. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention of three pages. He calls our report "an excellent condensation of the Proceedings reviewed," but wishes we would occasionally spice our review by drawing our sword on some action or resolution of some bold Commandery. We desire to say to our good frater as we have often done before, we do not consider it our business to criticise or find fault with the action of sister Grand Jurisdictions, as that matter properly belongs to the Grand Encampment of the United States, to rectify any error, omission, or transgression of the law. Our view of a correspondent's duty is to give to his Grand Commandery such matters of interest as will not only be of benefit, but will help them to cut out in their own jurisdiction any infringement of the law committed by others.

R.·. E.·. Sir Robert B. Lang, Racine, Grand Commander.

R.·. E.·. Sir William W. Perry, Milwaukee, Grand Recorder.

E.·. Sir R. W. Bosworth, reappointed Correspondent.

The Fifty-seventh Annual Conclave will be held in the city of Milwaukee, October 12, 1915.

WYOMING, 1915

The Twenty-eighth Annual Conclave, held in the city of Green River, March 10, 1915.

At the opening of Grand Commandery all the Grand Officers were found to be present, eleven Past Grand Commanders, the representatives of all the Commanderies, and the Grand Representatives of twenty sister Grand Jurisdictions. The Grand Representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island not present.

Following the appointment of committees, Grand Commander Fred A. Miller delivered his annual address. He states the past year had been an uneventful one in the jurisdiction. He had visited every Commandery and found that while the membership had not increased as in previous years, a substantial interest existed in all the Commanderies, and all were in good condition.

At the calling of the roll of the departed fraters of that and other Grand Jurisdictions the Sir Knights stood at attention, uncovered, while a loving tribute was paid their memories.

The Grand Commander reported that no requests for special dispensations had been received, and no questions of Masonic law which could not be answered by reference to the statutes had been presented. The jurisdiction is to be congratulated upon the evidence of knowledge it is evident their constituent Commanderies are blessed with.

He also reported charter had been granted to Constantine Commandery, No. 9, located at Cody, and that a dispensation in proper form had been received from petitioners for a Commandery to be located at Rock Springs. Also that request had been received relative to establishing a Commandery at Thermopolis and that the matter was still under consideration.

The report of the Grand Treasurer showed receipts, with balance on hand, $1,979.76; disbursements, $1,245.69.

The Grand Recorder reported membership 685, a net gain for the year of 13.

Upon recommendation of the committee it was ordered that a design for a coat-of-arms for the Grand Commandery be ordered engraved in two sizes and placed in the custody of the Grand Recorder, to be placed upon all documents and publications issued.

The result of the election of officers was as follows: Sir Jacob F. Hoop, Grand Commander, Sir Adrian J. Parshall re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence is by R.·.E.·.Sir Adrian J. Parshall and occupies 132 pages of the Proceedings, and is a thoroughly good report. Nearly all the Grand Jurisdictions are reviewed. Massachusetts and Rhode Island received due attention of two pages. He very kindly says that the report of your correspondent is a "thorough review of the several Grand Jurisdictions," and we tender him our thanks.

R.·.E.·.Sir Jacob F. Hoop, Sheridan, Grand Commander.

R.·.E.·.Sir Adrian J. Parshall, Cheyenne, Grand Recorder and reappointed Correspondent.

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